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Two jailed over baby drug death

Two drug addicts, Andrew Russell and his wife Marion, of Stockwell, south London, were jailed for the manslaughter of their daughter...

Ex-pilot on spy charge

A retired French Air Force officer has been arrested on charges of passing secrets on the movement of French nuclear submarines to a KGB agent in Brest...

Belfast killing

A Roman Catholic man was shot dead and his elderly mother was beaten at their home in Belfast...

Army purge?

The Ministry of Defence is investigating a Labour MP's claim that 121 soldiers in the regiment involved in the Cyprus spy trial have been discharged from the Army...

Savimbi aid

Angola's rebel leader, Dr Jonas Savimbi, said in Washington yesterday that his quest for US aid had been successful and US backing for Unita would lead to progress in resolving wider conflicts in southern Africa...

Kim arrested

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Gannets saved

Grassholm Island off west Wales, home to about 56,000 gannets, was yesterday designated a special protection area for birds by Mr William Waldegrave, the Minister for the Environment...

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A Warsaw court dismissed a Szczecin human rights activist's claim that the Polish Government spokesman defamed him by saying he had called officials Soviet bastards...

Spanish date

The referendum on Spain's membership of Nato is to be held on March 12, but the word Nato has been omitted by the Government from the ballot question...

Third heart

Mrs Mary Lund, aged 40, the first woman to have a Jarvik artificial heart, had it replaced in Minneapolis by a heart from a teenage girl...

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President Botha of South Africa offered yesterday to consider releasing Mr Nelson Mandela, the jailed leader of the outlawed African National Congress...

The main points from Mr Botha's speech were: To consider freeing Nelson Mandela at the same time as the release of prominent political prisoners in Communist countries...

'Baby Doc' denies fleeing country

After an embarrassing White House announcement that the Haiti Government collapsed and President Jean-Claude Duvalier had fled the country...

America mourns crew of shuttle

America paused yesterday for national sorrow as the crew of the shuttle Challenger was mourned...

Blizzards hit Europe

Nice (AFP) - Southern France and northern Italy were virtually paralysed yesterday by snowfalls and high winds...

Disorder in court as solicitors cry rough justice

By Richard Ford - The controversial judgement of an Irish district justice ended in a traffic court being cancelled yesterday as the fall majesty of the law shattered to a halt with furious solicitors boycotting proceedings...



President Botha taking the salute on the steps of Parliament in Cape Town before making his speech.

Civil servants for Westland inquiry

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent - The Commons Select Committee on Defence is to be allowed to question civil servants directly involved in the Westland affair...

Court bans union's bid to stop newspapers

By John Young - News International was yesterday granted an interim interdict at the Court of Session, Edinburgh, banning members of the print union...

Pension puzzler

Mr Patten said in a constituency speech in Bath last night that the dispute, which had rumbled on for almost a year, had done great damage to children, schools and teachers...

Promotion for junior minister

Mr Alan Clark, the junior employment minister who was involved a year ago in a dispute about black citizens and 'Bongo-bongo land', was yesterday promoted to the key job of Minister of Trade...

Richer or poorer?

Two views on widowhood - He appealed for renewed negotiation and said: 'For the sake of the children, we should get on with the talking and put an end to the aggro'...

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Joseph to stand down at election

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent - Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, is to leave the House of Commons at the next election and is expected to make way for a Cabinet replacement within the next twelve months...

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Whitelaw lead MPs' delegation to Russia

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

Lord Whitelaw, Lord President of the Council, is to lead a 14-member British parliamentary delegation to Moscow at the end of May for talks with Soviet leaders and parliamentarians.

While there it is expected they will meet Mr Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, who visited Britain as part of a parliamentary delegation in December 1984.

The visit, as was the Soviet one before it, is being arranged through the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

It will be the first such visit by a group of British parliamentarians to the Soviet Union for 11 years; a reflection of the improvement in Anglo-Soviet relations since Mr Gorbachev came to power, notwithstanding last September's tit-for-tat expulsions of journalists and diplomats.

The group, which has been invited by two senior members of the Supreme Soviet, Mr L. Tolkunov and Mr A. Voss, will be in the Soviet Union from May 23 to June 4. Their journey will be one of a number of high level exchanges planned between Britain and the Soviet Union this year. Mr Edward Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, has been invited to London in March although it is likely his visit will be delayed until later in the year.

British and Soviet officials are expected to meet soon to discuss arms control issues, especially Mr Gorbachev's recent proposals for eliminating nuclear weapons.

Mr Nikita Ryzhov, a Soviet deputy foreign minister, was in London last week for talks with Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, and top British officials.

Apart from Lord Whitelaw, other Conservative members in the delegation will be Mr David Crouch, Mr Peter Temple-Smith, Mr Kenneth Warren, Mr Roger Sims, Mr Robert Jackson and Mr Tony Baldry.

Opposition members will be Mr Denis Healey, deputy leader of the delegation, Mrs Keness Shore, Mr James Lamond, Mr Martin Flannery, Mr Alan Beith, Mr Tom Clarke and Lord Underhill.

Channon gets a combative successor

By George Hill

Mr Alan Clark, who has been promoted to the post of Minister of State in the Department of Trade and Industry left vacant by Mr Paul Channon's appointment to replace Mr Leon Brittan as Secretary of State, is one of the most combative and idiosyncratic ministers in the Government.

Mr Clark's job as Under Secretary in the Department of Employment has been filled by Mr Ian Lang, aged 43, who has been a Government Whip since 1983.

Mr Clark, MP for Plymouth Sutton since 1974, has repeatedly been involved in controversy, most notably after he was alleged to have said, at a private ministerial meeting in 1984, that immigrants to Britain were afraid of being sent back to "Bongo-Bongo land". The allegation was never denied.

Appointed as junior minister in 1983, he put his job at risk the next year by publicly attacking a decision by Mr Michael Heseltine, the then Secretary of State for Defence, to buy American instead of British missiles for the Navy.

Last year he again departed from the official line by expressing public dissent from the Government's Bill to privatize the Royal Dockyards.

Mr Clark is one of the most colourful figures on Mrs Margaret Thatcher's increasingly colourful front bench. A right-winger with idiosyncratic views, he has an aggressive contempt for hypocrisy, which makes him a formidable but unpredictable parliamentary performer. Given as his first ministerial task an announcement of the Government's acceptance of EEC treaty obligations regarding equal treatment of women, he showed his distaste for the proposal, and for the EEC, by reading his speech in a derisively slow and unnatural fashion.

Son of Lord Clark, the art historian, he inherited a considerable fortune based on Paisley yarn, as well as his father's outstanding art collection. In 1984 he sold a single Turner for several million pounds. He has an estate of more than 10,000 acres in Sutherland and lives in a castle in Kent with his wife Jane and their two sons. He has written a number of books on military history, including *Donkeys*, a scathing attack on the Allied High Command in the 1914-1918 war. Mr Lang, vice-chairman of the Conservative Party in Scotland, was educated at Rugby and Cambridge, and was a director of a Lloyd's underwriting company and trustee of several Scottish banks before he joined the Government.

Antarctic 'embassy' opens

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

Greenpeace, the environmental organization, yesterday opened an embassy in London to help safeguard the interests of Antarctica, with Doctor David Bellamy, the biologist and conservationist, as its first ambassador.

Ceremonies were held in 12 countries where Greenpeace aims to set up an embassy or consulate, with the declaration of Antarctica as the first "world park" by a team of Greenpeace campaigners who raised a flag at the Bay of Whales on the Ross Ice Shelf.

The organization also disclosed the contents of a leaked document which it claimed showed the British Government is backing moves to alter the Antarctic treaty to allow mineral and oil exploration.

Doctor Bellamy said that Antarctica should be declared a "no-go area" for industrial and commercial exploitation. Scientific progress in developing alternative energy sources meant the resources of Antarctica were not needed. They would also be uneconomic to develop, he said.

According to Mr Robert Wilson, a Greenpeace campaigner, the pinner has already begun. He produced scientific evidence to show that 90 per cent of Antarctic fish has been fished out by Soviet vacuum factory trawlers in an area around South Georgia, which is under British sovereignty.

Mr Wilson alleged the activity had continued with the connivance of the British Government. The Greenpeace vessel made a brief landing in Antarctica but below freezing temperatures forced the crew to leave earlier than planned.

The environmentalists claimed to have faced obstruction from member countries of the Antarctic treaty in their attempts to establish a base.

Mr Wilson said: "The Antarctic treaty states have been actively trying to sabotage our operations. The New Zealand government refused to issue us with any radio licences, except for emergency communications with their Scott Base. They also refused our application for a licence to use satellite communications."

"It is hypocrisy to accuse Greenpeace of being recklessly unprepared for such a venture on the one hand, while on the other refusing to provide licences for communications essential for the safety of the expedition."

Doctor David Bellamy, the biologist, in London yesterday with the plaque and certificate proclaiming him as the first British ambassador to Greenpeace's Antarctic world wildlife park. (Photograph: Chris Harris).

'Loyalists' may have killed Catholic man

From Richard Ford, Belfast

"Loyalist" paramilitaries are suspected of killing a Roman Catholic and beating his elderly mother after a masked gunman burst into their home yesterday. Martin Quinn, aged 34, was shot as he lay in bed.

The gunman broke into the terraced house on the Bawnmore Estate, a wholly Roman Catholic area surrounded by loyalist housing in north Belfast, at 8.15am. He grabbed Mrs Annie Quinn, aged 70, and hit her around the face before entering Mr Quinn's bedroom and shooting him in the shoulder and chest.

Mrs Quinn said: "All I saw was this fellow coming into my room. He pulled me up and slapped me across the face. I screamed and when he went I got up and Martin was lying on the floor." Mr Quinn was alive when a neighbour reached him, but he died on his way to hospital.

While police were keeping an open mind on the motive, politicians were in no doubt that it was a sectarian killing. The dead man was believed to have had no interest in politics.

The Bawnmore Estate has been the scene of several sectarian attacks in recent years and Mr Quinn's death is the fourth as a result of the troubles this year.

The leading IRA man, Thomas Quigley, aged 30, was married yesterday in Albany prison in the Isle of Wight to a blonde woman thought to be from Belfast (the Press Association reports).

Quigley was jailed for a minimum of 35 years last year for his part in a London bombing campaign in 1981.

Delay over petrol price cut

By David Young
Energy Correspondent

The three leading oil companies are delaying a decision to cut petrol prices at the pumps, reflecting falling world oil prices, because they fear the Chancellor will step in and restore them to current levels through increased taxation in his Budget next month.

World oil prices - below the \$20 dollar mark for the type of North Sea crude converted into petrol for the British motorist - mean that petrol profits are high enough to allow significant price cuts.

However, the main oil companies, Esso, Shell and BP, are aware that higher excise duty on petrol will give them little room for manoeuvre if crude prices rise.

Petrol prices now range from 197p a gallon in rural areas in Scotland and the West Country to below 180p at some stations in the Leeds-Bradford area, in Liverpool and outer London.

While the big companies delay price action, Jet, the Conoco marketing arm, is undercutting them by as much as 8p a gallon.

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Sellafield to explain leakage

By Colin Hughes

The Government's radioactive chemicals inspectors have called for an explanation from British Nuclear Fuels of its decision to discharge 440 kilograms of nuclear waste from Sellafield into the Irish Sea last week.

Mr William Waldegrave, a junior minister at the Department of the Environment, said in a Commons written answer yesterday to Mr John Taylor, Tory MP for Solihull, that the department had been told of the discharge in advance, and that it was well within the limits allowed. Two tonnes are discharged from Sellafield's sea water tanks each year.

Mr Waldegrave added: "My officials have, nevertheless, asked BNFL for an explanation of why they chose to discharge this material in preference to any other options that may have been open to them."

The company has written to Mr Taylor saying that all authorities had been informed of the discharge, which it believed would have "negligible" environmental effect.

ITV sets date for Europe channel

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent

Independent television is to go ahead with its plan to start a cable television service for Europe, transmitting both its own and BBC programmes, but two of the largest companies have decided not to take part in the project.

The Independent Television Companies Association said yesterday that the "Superchannel" project should start broadcasting to cable systems in the autumn.

Yorkshire and Thames will not join the rest of the independent network in the partnership, however, though both are expected to sell programmes to the venture.

The network has been designed as independent television's answer to Mr Rupert Murdoch's Sky Channel which has pioneered international cable in Europe. Superchannel is designed to reach up to 10.5 million cable homes, offering a "best of British" English-language service.

Mr Richard Dunn, Thames's managing director, said that the company had decided that it had other priorities.

The venture will use the Intelsat V satellite to beam about 18 hours a day of programmes throughout Europe.

Some independent companies have had qualms about the venture, which has been under discussion for more than a year, because they believe that Sky may have an unassailable viewing lead in homes which are interested in a pan-European television service.

It is also unclear what will happen to those who are taking part in the consortium if they lose their independent franchises in the next round of franchise renewals in 1988.

Libyans in training at Heathrow

By Our Political Staff

More than 250 Libyan apprentices are being trained at British airports, the Government disclosed yesterday.

Guidelines have been issued to guard against the security risks that their presence might create. Mr Michael Spicer, Under Secretary of State for Transport, said in a written reply to a question from Mr Harry Greenway, Conservative MP for Ealing North.

Mr Spicer said that 180 Libyans were being trained by British Airways at Heathrow, 22 by British Caledonian at Gatwick, and about 50 others at other British airports.

Yesterday's announcement comes after controversy over the readmission to Britain of one of the Libyans expelled after the murder of Woman Police Constable Yvonne Fletcher.

'Tobacco offer' explained

By Nicholas Timmins

The Commonwealth Games consortium said yesterday that talk of an offer from the tobacco industry of £250,000 to ensure that this year's games were not turned into a "no-smoking" event through sponsorship by health bodies, was "hypothetical". It should not have been interpreted as an offer from the tobacco industry.

The statement came after an account by Dr David Player, Director-General of the Health Education Council, of a conversation he had in December with the consortium chairman Sir Russell Fairgreave who was alleged to have said this industry was prepared to pay to ensure that the games did not become "no-smoking".

The consortium said yesterday that the consortium had not received any offers of sponsorship at any time from the tobacco companies, and was precluded from doing so under an agreement with the city council in Edinburgh where the games are to be held.

Neither was the consortium accepting tobacco advertising - the result of an agreement with the games federation and its own policy decision.

When asked why Sir Russell raised the possibility of tobacco sponsorship when the consortium's agreements prohibited it, a spokesman for the consortium said: "I think he was using it as an example."

Hunt for missing boy, 10

Police were searching last night for a boy aged 10 who vanished after leaving school.

Jason Airey left Nelson Road School in Whitton, west London, at 1.15pm on Thursday. The school is two miles from where a boy aged 11 and his sister, aged 10, were abducted that same morning.

However, Inspector Michael Field said: "We are not linking the two incidents and there is nothing to suggest that he has been abducted."

Jason has run away at least three times in the past.

Acclaim cars called in

Austin Rover is writing to the owners of 27,500 Triumph Acclaim cars, asking them to contact their dealer to arrange replacement of the anti-roll bar. There have been reports of the bar giving way under high loads.

The replacement bar will be fitted free. The cars affected were built between January and March, and August and December, 1983.

New teacher strike action

Nearly a quarter of a million Scottish children will have their education disrupted next week when the country's main teaching union, the Educational Institute of Scotland, steps up its 14-month-old campaign for an independent pay review.

The union said yesterday that 11,500 teachers would strike for one to three days.

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Man in the news

Stepping out of Thatcher's path

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Sir Keith Joseph is the man who put the leadership of the Conservative party and of the country within the reach of Mrs Margaret Thatcher, and the Prime Minister is duly grateful.

When Mr Edward Heath was under severe pressure as Conservative Party leader, in the wake of his two 1974 election defeats, there were many on the Tory right who saw Sir Keith as their natural candidate.

But with a personal diffidence that has become the mark of the man, there appeared to be no question of his own suitability for the job. Besides, Mrs Thatcher was so eager, and a natural to be the first woman in Downing Street.

Sir Keith had the experience and the intellect. He had been the chairman of Bovis, the family building firm, he had served in the Macmillan administration and had been Secretary of State for Social Services throughout the four-year Heath administration.

But he lacked the popular approach, found it enormously difficult to reach hard-and-fast conclusions without the most agonized mental struggle, and then found it even more difficult to communicate the message he wanted to deliver.

His politics and his policies have not always been on the right. Although he subscribed to the Selsdon theories of non-intervention in the run-up to the 1970 General Election, he joined with Mr Heath in his interventionist somersault once unemployment began to climb.

Nevertheless, there was an honesty about his arguments which was always engaging, and a loyalty which Mr Hailsham, is expected to give Mrs Thatcher her last chance to freshen up the image.

First British astronaut leaves for training

The man who hopes to be Britain's first astronaut was grim-faced yesterday as he left for the United States three days after the space shuttle Challenger disaster.

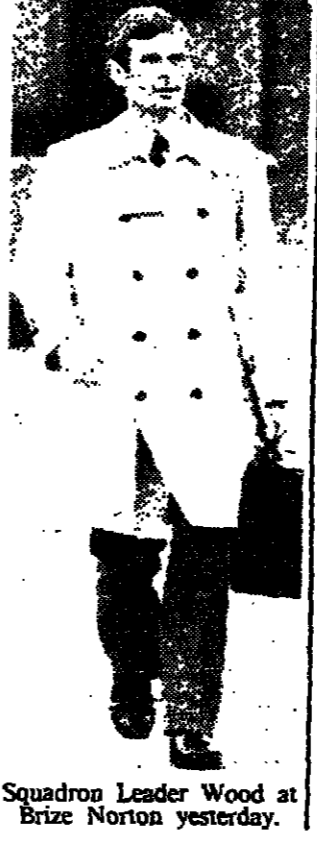
Squadron Leader Nigel Wood had no comment to make at RAF Brize Norton, Oxfordshire, as he boarded the RAF jet taking him to Washington for a connecting flight to Houston, Texas. There he will begin training at NASA headquarters.

Squadron Leader Wood, aged 35, of Fleet, Hampshire, is a light raincoat despite a bleak wind and with a camera over his shoulder, was accompanied by Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Farrinwood, who will be his back-up during the months of training.

Neither of the men's families was at the airfield to see them off.

The first shuttle flight for Squadron Leader Wood was planned for June 24, but it is expected after the shuttle disaster that there will be considerable delay.

The main purpose of his flight is the launch of the first of three Skylab-4 military communications satellites for the Ministry of Defence.



Squadron Leader Wood at Brize Norton yesterday.

Court bans union's bid to stop newspapers

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Times and The Sun reached their full target figures on Thursday night for the first time since the move to the new plant in Wapping, east London, and Glasgow.

A total of 4,410,000 copies of The Sun and 518,800 copies of The Times were printed. Distribution was said to be steadily improving, particularly in the London area where earlier in the week many newspapers were receiving deliveries late or not at all.

About 20 Sunday Times journalists, who had refused to move to Wapping, were said yesterday to have changed their minds and now agreed to the company's terms. A small number were still not reporting for work and some journalists on The Sun had been sent dismissal notices.

Some 70 Sogat and National Graphical Association printers in Northampton have been warned that they risk losing their jobs if they continue to refuse to print the Times supplements under sub-contract. The printers maintain that the supplements have been blocked.

Five engineers who had been working on new equipment at the Wapping plant have returned to Preston after refusing to cross picket lines.

Mr Rupert Murdoch, chairman of News International, warned last night that the contract with Express Newspapers to print northern editions of the News of the World was in jeopardy.

This statement follows claims from Sogat '82 that production workers at Express Newspapers had voted to defy their management instructions to print.

Mr Murdoch also said: "Failure to produce in Manchester this weekend would result in the immediate cancellation of the new ten-year printing contract with Express Newspapers and will certainly mean an end of printing of the News of the World in Manchester."

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121 soldiers purged over Cyprus spy case, Labour MP claims

By Colin Hughes

Ministry of Defence officials are investigating a Labour MP's claim that 121 soldiers in the Royal Signals, the regiment involved in the Cyprus spy trial, have been discharged from the Army as part of a "general purge" in sensitive security areas.

Mr Kevin McNamara, a Labour defence spokesman, made the allegation in the House of Commons during Thursday night's debate on the Army Bill.

He said that a number of Servicemen had contacted him since the trial, both from 9 Signals Regiment based in Cyprus, and from other units, "with stories of equally harsh treatment to that meted out to the eight men who were acquitted at the Central Criminal Court."

He added that he had learned from written questions to the ministry that, since the inquiry into alleged breaches of security at 9 Signals had begun, 121 men had been discharged, 83 of them prematurely. He claimed to have similar figures for other regiments "in that sensitive area."

Such numbers represent

about one third of the unit's strength.

He said the Servicemen who had written to him "alleged that they were asked to leave the Army, and that there has been a general purge of the regiment, as well as similar units, following the Cyprus trial". The ministry had a duty to "come clean about why it is doing it, and should remember that those soldiers also have human rights".

One letter to Mr McNamara said soldiers had lost their security certification without being told the reason, and had been transferred to mundane jobs in an apparent attempt to "ease them from the service".

Another who had been discharged said he had been harassed by police in plain clothes after leaving, and had his passport confiscated. Others were accused of being homosexual and were interrogated and ridiculed.

Records for 9 Signals last year show that a small number of soldiers were discharged from the regiment all for "miscellaneous", on the ground

that their services were no longer required.

Another group was discharged at the end of their engagement, and some others retired early by giving 18 months' notice or buying themselves out. Sources said the total number was between 30 and 40, but the exact figures would be supplied to Mr McNamara early next week.

The initial reaction of officials was that Mr McNamara had either confused his figures with 9 Signals soldiers being posted away from Cyprus, which is normally about 150 a year, or that he had included soldiers from other units.

None of the misdemeanour discharges involved secrets. The two 9 Signals soldiers cleared at the trial were coming to the end of their Army engagements. After the trial, they attended Army resettlement courses and left. Five Royal Air Force airmen also cleared are still working, at the RAF's West Drayton administration unit.

The ministry said officials are examining the claim "and will be responding".

Princess visits the drug busters

The Princess of Wales yesterday met the men and women mastering the intelligence war against the drug barons who flood Britain's streets with misery and death.

The Princess is concerned with drug abuse, particularly among young people.

She was given details of the campaign when she visited the National Drugs Intelligence Unit, set up by the Government last year to spearhead a drive to smash drug trafficking.

The unit, based at Scotland Yard, is staffed by police and customs officers responsible for the gathering and analysis of intelligence on dealers and smugglers.

Officers showed the Princess how intelligence was gathered worldwide and described "Operation Bishop", the drug swoop which netted more than 43 tons of "Lebanese gold" two years ago, the biggest seizure of cannabis resin in Western Europe.

The Princess met Det Supt John Newton of No 5 Regional Crime Squad and Mr Nick Adams, of the Customs and Excise, who were members of the "Operation Bishop" team.

She also met two overseas drug liaison officers, Mr Tim Egan from Australia, and Mr Gunnar Larsen, who represents the Nordic police forces in the unit.

Mr Colin Hewitt, deputy assistant commissioner, the unit's co-ordinator, who before his appointment led Scotland Yard's fight against the IRA, said: "The Princess appeared well informed about the



The Princess of Wales arriving for a briefing at the new National Drugs Intelligence Unit in London yesterday.

in peril by cash demand

By Tim Jones

Deep in the far west of Cornwall, Minnie the Himmalyan bear is sleeping peacefully through the snow-flecked winter, unaware that she may not survive to enjoy waking in the spring.

For her owner, Mr Ken Trengrove, has been told that unless he can pay a £153.60 licence fee the bear he has owned since she was a cub may have to be destroyed.

To Mr Trengrove, however, the demand represents an impossible amount, for he is unemployed and has only a disbursement pension on which to live.

His local authority, Kerrier District Council, has only recently found out about Minnie and has to demand the fee under the Dangerous Wildlife Act, 1976.

Mr Trengrove, who lives in a caravan on Newton Moor, Truro, said: "The last thing in the world I want to lose is Minnie, who has been my friend for 20 years. She is only half way through her life."

Minnie, who stands more than 5 ft tall and weighs 350 lb is kept in a secure cage in a compound which she shares with dogs, cats, horses, rabbits, a vixen, ferrets and a buzzard.

Mr Trengrove said: "I love animals but Minnie is special. Even if she was taken away to somewhere else I don't think she would live long, for this is her home."

Mr Bob Reason, the council's deputy chief health officer, said: "We have no option but to collect this licence fee. If Mr Trengrove cannot find the money then perhaps a new home could be found for Minnie in a zoo or circus. She would only be put down in the last resort."

He said the licence fee was high because to comply with the Act the bear would have to be examined by a vet specializing in exotic animals.

Mr Reason said that since the possible fate of Minnie had become known some local people had contacted the council offering financial help to Mr Trengrove. "It may be that this story will have a happy outcome."

His sentiment no doubt will be shared by Minnie, who, deep in hibernation, is probably dreaming of honey.

Drugged dummy couple jailed

Drug addicts Andrew and Marion Russell were jailed yesterday for the manslaughter of their daughter Simone, aged 15 months, whose dummy was dipped in a heroin substitute.

Andrew Russell was sentenced to 10 years and his wife to seven after the jury at the Central Criminal Court decided they unlawfully killed the child by "deliberately administering" a massive overdose of Methadone.

The Common Sergeant of London, Judge Thomas Pigot, said the punishment must be a deterrent to protect young children in drug-dominated households.

The Russells, both 36, unemployed, of Larkhill Estate, Stockwell, South London, were also found guilty of child cruelty. They had denied the charges.

The court had been told that the couple had taken heroin the night before Simone died.

They were still high or beginning to suffer withdrawal symptoms the next day, when their hungry baby became fractious and started to cry for food.

"She was getting on their nerves. They went over the top and gave her a dose of Methadone to quieten her," Mrs Barbara Mills said for the prosecution.

"It was sufficiently large to have killed any adult not addicted to the drug. They knew it was dangerous."

The couple denied giving Simone Methadone just before she died, although they admitted dipping her dummy in the green liquid to soothe her when she was teething.

The judge said he accepted that the Russells were loving, caring parents who were distraught at Simone's death. "I accept her death will continue to pain and distress you."

But he added: "On February 2, your child was happy and normal, not suffering from the teething troubles, yet you administered the drug to your child."

"I am satisfied it was probably under the influence of drugs which caused you to behave as you did."

"There must be an increasing number of households which are drug-dominated and in which young children are being brought up. They are inevitably at risk."

Iran rejects claim for siege damages

A move to make the Iranian Government pay for damage to its former embassy during the May 1980 Princes Gate siege was thwarted in the High Court yesterday.

Westminster City Council had hoped for a ruling which enabling it to recover £200,000 spent on essential maintenance work on the grade two listed property.

But Mr Justice Peter Gibson ruled that the council could not pursue its claim because of Iran's refusal to accept official notice of the proceedings.

The judge said he reached his decision "with no satisfaction whatsoever".

The embassy has been unoccupied since it was gutted in the siege and subsequent SAS hostage-takings.

Council workers have shored up the building and removed refuse, rubble and vermin.

The Council aimed to recover its costs by registering land charges against the property, which would have prevented Iran from disposing of the building until the charges were paid.

Although approved in principle by the Land Registrar, the move needed court approval, because Iran claimed the premises were covered by diplomatic immunity.

Westminster council plans to appeal against the High Court decision.

Mr Bruce Mauveverer, QC, for the council, said that, although Iran had instructed its solicitors to raise the objection, the Government had not instructed them to accept service of the proceedings.

Tunnel to link jail and court

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

The Central Criminal Court's link with the fate of terrorists is being threatened.

A new crown court complex at Woolwich is expected to take over many top security trials because a huge new prison is being built next door with a walkway or tunnel to take accused terrorists on remand to face justice.

Most prisoners on trial at the Central Criminal Court for alleged terrorism have to be taken and returned daily to Brixton prison.

Six crown courts and a magistrates court will be provided at Woolwich at an expected cost of £8 million. The project should be completed in 1990.

Terror trial judge to sum up

The terrorist bomb plot trial at Manchester Crown Court was adjourned yesterday until Monday, when Mr Justice Mann will begin his summing-up.

Before the adjournment, the defence had claimed that a retired psychiatrist accused of being part of the plot stood for the preservation of life and not annihilation.

Dr O'Shea, of Solihull Road, Sparkhill, in Birmingham, denies conspiring to cause an explosion and failing to provide information about an act of terrorism.

The prosecution claims she provided safe houses for the bomb plot team.

Also in the dock was

amount of drug abuse in this country.

"She was very alert to the relationship we gather and what follows from it. I got the impression that she would like to know more."

Last summer the Princess spoke of her fears about drug

addiction when she visited the BBC Television Centre in London to watch the recording of a two-hour special programme, *Drugwatch*.

When she and the Prince of Wales were in America last November she visited a drug rehabilitation centre for adolescents in Washington.

Lieutenant colonel, Mr Michael Mansfield said in his closing speech.

"She stands for the preservation of life and not annihilation."

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Mr Michael Maguire, QC, defending Mr Brazil, told the jury in his closing speech that his client would never have volunteered for "this dangerous mission, risking imprisonment, if he was apprehended" had he known that a package he was given contained gaunite.

V&A fails to save Bernini

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent

The Victoria & Albert Museum has lost its attempt to buy the world's most expensive sculpture, the £3 million Bernini bust from Castle Howard after failing to raise sufficient money to proceed with the sale.

The last hope of the bust's remaining in Britain probably rests with the National Gallery of Scotland which is understood to be negotiating a private treaty sale for the same price.

Mr Simon Howard, one of the four sons of the late Lord Howard of Henderskelfe,

whose death has forced the estate to raise money to pay capital transfer tax charges, said yesterday that talks with an unnamed buyer for a private treaty sale were continuing, and if concluded the bust would remain in Britain.

"We must now look for another buyer but we cannot disclose anything of the negotiations. It would be sad to see the bust go abroad but if in the end that is the only way we can raise the money it will."

Arts world figures cite the Victoria & Albert's failure to

raise a purchase fund close to £3 million as evidence of the growing inability of British institutions to make purchases in a market where prices have reached spectacular levels.

"If we can't afford to buy the Bernini in a private treaty sale, what chance would we stand on the open market where it could fetch between £7m and £10m?" asked one arts world collector. The National Art-Collectors Fund had offered £250,000 towards the purchase, but the National Heritage Memorial Fund did not offer a contribution, apparently because it felt that it had insufficient funds.

The Pignone Trust had offered money, as had a number of individuals, and the V&A had been willing to use most of its £1.45m purchase grant to buy the bust, but even this left the museum well short of the asking price.

The bust, of Archbishop del Pozzo, has been in Britain since 1715 and is the work of the greatest European sculptor of the seventeenth century.

If it were to be offered for sale to a foreign buyer, it seems certain that the Government would suspend export, probably for six months, in order to give British institutions a last chance to raise the money to buy it. If two purchase attempts have failed by that stage, however, it seems unlikely that the bust will remain in Britain.



The bust of Archbishop del Pozzo which may, for the lack of £3 million, find a home abroad.

Arrest by motorist justified

A motorist who claimed he had made a "citizen's arrest" by forcing another car off the road after a chase has been cleared of reckless driving in the Court of Appeal.

John Renouf, aged 47, of Loppcombe Corner, Wiltshire, alleged that the occupants of the other car had earlier thrown objects at his car. He had his conviction quashed and the £100 fine imposed on him at Winchester Crown Court on May 3 last year was set aside.

Lord Justice Lawton, sitting with Mr Justice Hollings and Mr Justice Michael Davies, said that Mr Renouf, a vehicle repairer, had been struck on the arm during the incident near Salisbury.

That amounted to an assault in law, and Renouf had been entitled to "arrest" the men. It was alleged that forcing the other car off the A30 was reckless.

Lord Justice Lawton said it was Mr Renouf's case that he had only used reasonable force to assist in the arrest. The case was unusual, but Mr Renouf had a defence which Mr Justice Bristow should have left to the jury to consider.

The appeal judges refused leave to appeal to the Lords, but Crown counsel will petition the Law Lords for a prosecution appeal.

Youth training fund cuts 'hurt disabled'

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

The disabled will be among the victims of cuts in Government-funded youth training, Miss Vivien Stern, director of the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders, said yesterday.

"The new two-year training scheme will not cater adequately for many of the young people who need it most," she told a Nacro conference. Those who will be affected include young people with learning difficulties and ex-offenders.

As she was speaking, Nacro faced its first one-day strike over the issuance of blanked & undancies to all 429 members of its youth training staff, according to the joint shop stewards committee of the Association of Clerical, Technical and Supervisory

Staffs. The "precautionary" notices take effect from March 31.

The shop stewards said yesterday that Nacro sponsors 43 youth training schemes across the country. "From April the funding of schemes sponsored by voluntary bodies such as Nacro is given reduced priority by the Government. In fact, drastic cuts are assured."

Sir Richard O'Brien, former chairman of the Manpower Services Commission, told the conference: "Those of us here today are concerned with what happens to the less able youngsters and those young people who have to contend with all the pressures of inner city life."

Sir Richard is chairman of Nacro's employment advisory committee.

Watchdogs to monitor Telecom services

By Bill Johnston, Technology Correspondent

Domestic telephone subscribers and small businesses are expected to be the first beneficiaries of a network of telephone watchdogs created by the Office of Telecommunications (OfTel).

A range of British Telecom's activities is to be monitored by a team of 2,000 to 3,000 consumers around the country which will report on the corporation's performance. The services to be watched include dialled services, operator-assisted calls, directory inquiries, fault repairs and public call boxes.

The network is the latest attempt by OfTel to assess the performance of British Telecom independently.

Professor Bryan Carsberg, director general of OfTel, says the monopoly of British Telecom in many areas

means that a watch on the quality of telephone services is vital if the consumer is to have a fair deal.

Professor Carsberg says: "Many telecommunications services are not subject to significant competition, and information about the quality of those services must be collected and published for the protection of the telephone users."

"Measurement will focus at first on services provided by British Telecom and Kingston upon Hull City Council. British Telecom has stated that as a private company it does not intend to publish the statistics it gathers about the quality of its services."

"In any event, OfTel is the right body to do this job because of its independence from British Telecom."

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Thousands of Hindus march in protest at Pope's tour of India

Delhi (Reuters) - Thousands of chanting Hindus marched through Delhi to protest against the Pope's visit to India, which starts today.

Police estimated that about 6,000 people shouted slogans like "Pope go home". Banners demanded that the Pontiff refrain from forcible conversions of Hindus during his 10-day visit.

Organizers said that 27 right-wing Hindu groups, including students and farmers, took part and that they planned to present a memorandum to President Zail Singh. Police in riot gear walked beside the marchers, but there were no outbreaks of violence.

The demonstration followed warnings by militant Hindu groups that they would stage protests throughout the country during the Pope's visit. One banner, with a picture of the Pope hammering to pieces a map of India, declared: "He wears a mask of peace and unity but his mission is to divide and destroy the country."

Many Hindus say India's small Christian churches thrive on converting lower caste followers to their religion, using church educational, medical and welfare institutions to cover "Service and education" is merely a myth, John Paul has come to convert," one banner said.

A leaflet handed to bystanders said: "When Pope John Paul comes to India he should announce that priests will not make forcible conversions, that all religions are equal and correct, and that anyone calling for the division of the country cannot be a true Christian."

Vatican and Indian church officials have said they are not worried by right-wing Hindu opposition to the Pope's visit, but two bullet-proof limousines have been brought to India for his use. "We don't mind preaching and we respect the Bible," one of the protest organizers said. "What we mind is conversions which take advantage of the weak and ignorant."

Church officials in the southern city of Madras have said they received an anonymous death threat against the

Pope last month, with a warning against his tour.

Church officials estimate that up to 70 per cent of India's Catholics will flock to see him. He will meet President Zail Singh, who invited him to make the visit, during his opening two-day stay in Delhi.

Highlights of the tour include a visit to Mother Teresa's Calcutta home for the dying and a beatification ceremony in southern India, the first step for a priest and a nun to become India's first native-born Catholic saints.

● **ROME** - The Pope has urged swifter decisions on requests for marriage annulments, indicating that Roman Catholics discouraged by delay may marry under church regulations (AP reports).

He made the remarks on Thursday to a group of clerical judges of the Sacred Roman Rota, a Vatican tribunal, which hears appeals of decisions made on the local level on requests to annul, or declare invalid, a marriage.



Motorized rickshaws and horse-drawn carts mingling in Delhi under a sign welcoming the Pope to the city for the start today of his 10-day tour of India.

Paris tries to lift Hersant's immunity

From Diana Geddes Paris

France has asked the European Parliament to lift the parliamentary immunity enjoyed by M Robert Hersant, the French press magnate, in his capacity as a European MP, so he can be prosecuted for an alleged breach of the new French law on press monopolies.

The Government claims that, by secretly buying the Progrès de Lyon newspaper group at the beginning of this month, and so increasing his share of the provincial daily market to 26 per cent, M Hersant was in breach of the law, which limits ownership by one person or group to 10 per cent of national or provincial newspaper sales.

M Hersant, whose empire already accounts for 38 per cent of French national newspaper sales and includes the leading right-wing paper *Le Figaro*, was elected to the European Parliament in 1984 as a candidate for the right-wing RPR-UDF alliance.

It is by no means certain that the centre-right majority in the European Parliament will agree to lift his immunity in connection with a law passed by the French Socialist with the specific aim of limiting his power.

Until now, the Parliament has usually agreed to lift the immunity of members in connection with common law crimes, but not where the breach of the law is connected with an individual political conviction.

In addition, the whole process of lifting a member's parliamentary immunity often takes between 3 and 6 months, by which time a right-wing government may well be in power in France, and the right has already promised immediately to repeal the Socialist's new press law.

The French request was delivered yesterday to M Pierre Filmin, the French President of the European Parliament, and will be examined by the law commission before being submitted to a full session of Parliament.

Austerity curbing Bolivian inflation

From John Eanders La Paz, Bolivia

Inflation in this nation of six million inhabitants appears to be coming under control, almost six months after the Government of President Victor Paz Estenssoro came to office and instituted a series of extremely austere economic policies.

In 1985 inflation was more than 8,000 per cent, and in October alone had reached an annualized rate of 24,000 per cent.

After three years of corrupt military rule under General Luis Garcia Meza and his successors, which began with the coup d'etat of July 1980, followed by three years of chaotic civilian government under ex-President Hernán Siles Zuazo, the economy of this mineral-rich country is in severe recession.

The Government's principal objective has been to bring the spiral of hyperinflation under control, and it has pumped several million dollars daily into the open currency market.

The value of the Bolivian peso has gained about 30 per cent against the benchmark dollar since mid-January. Prices for petrol, imported pharmaceuticals, public transport and other goods have begun dropping accordingly.

Once inflation is stopped and the currency stabilized with prices also remaining stable, the Government intends to push through Congress a tax reform package (currently virtually no one in Bolivia pays taxes), and in the second half of 1986 officials plan to establish an entirely new currency at about 10 million pesos to the dollar for every one million at present.

According to the Minister of Planning, Señor Gonzalo Sánchez de Lozada, who was appointed to his post last week, the country needs \$30 million this year in foreign loans and aid to get by.

Public sector wages are frozen at 30 million pesos monthly (£10.71).

The troubled EEC Dutch find the going tough

From Richard Owen, Brussels

January should have been a good month for both The Netherlands and the EEC.

The Netherlands took over the presidency of the Council of Ministers from Luxembourg and the Dutch were hoping to make 1986 a year of real progress toward European integration. Irritating wrangles over problems such as the British budget rebate were over.

At the end of 1985 agreement at the Luxembourg summit on institutional reforms and the accession of Spain and Portugal meant The Netherlands could fulfil the Dutch dream of European union, putting the EEC of 12 firmly on the road to unity in the 1990s.

Instead, the young and forward-looking team of ministers in the Government of Mr Ruud Lubbers has been frustrated by the potentially highly damaging opposition to reforms on the part of Denmark.

Hague, a Danish 'no' would spell disaster for Europe - it would indicate the ever present tendency toward a split-up.

This dismal prospect directly affects Britain, which will inherit the rotating EEC presidency after the European summit in The Hague in June.

Britain does not want to inherit a disintegrating Community from the Dutch, with the newly enlarged 12 suddenly reduced to 11.

The British may be Eurosceptics, but they certainly do not want a Danish spinner in the works to derail what Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, described after Luxembourg as the EEC's progress away from Euro-pessimism and toward Euro-activism.

The Dutch are co-ordinating their presidency closely with Britain, and their emerging tactic is to make clear to the Danes that the future of the EEC hangs on their vote.

The Dutch argue that the Danish position is partly due to internal Danish politics, but is also a result of Danish misunderstanding of the reforms. The Danes wrongly believe the reforms go further than they do, especially over the environment and the powers of the European Parliament.

Dutch determination to resolve the crisis is reflected in the president's insistence on a ceremonial signing of the reforms at Luxembourg on February 17 even if Denmark - and possibly Italy, which regards the reforms as too modest rather than too ambitious - have to stay away. If putting pressure on Copenhagen in this way works and the Danes eventually fall into line, Holland and Britain can put the Danish crisis down to experience and get on with the main reforms.

As defined in The Hague the priorities for 1986 are: completion of the internal market, including the 90 decisions to be made on abolishing trade barriers; free movement across frontiers; the new GATT round; the fight against unemployment; and above all, European economic competitiveness against American and Japanese trade and technology.

The Luxembourg reforms, according to Mr van den Broek, are only the absolute minimum needed if Europe is to avoid becoming an economic backwater while striving to be a world trade giant.

Americans living longer

From Michael Binyon, Washington

American are healthier and are living longer than they have ever done, but the gap between life expectancy for blacks and whites remains stubbornly high. Black infants are almost twice as likely to die in their first year as whites.

The US Government's annual report on the nation's health showed overall life expectancy at a record high. A child born in 1983 can expect to live 74.6 years. White women can expect to live to 78.7 years, but black males, with the lowest expectancy, can expect only 65.4 years.

On average, the report says, a man turned 45 in 1983 could expect to live 74.7 years, more than three years longer than his 1950 counterpart.

Mr Otis Bowen, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, said the report painted a clear picture of medical achievement and progress against spiralling health costs.

The death rate from heart disease dropped by 28 per cent between 1970 and 1984, while deaths from strokes dropped by 49 per cent over the same period. Both are traditionally male diseases linked to smoking.

Lung cancer continues to increase, but the rate is slowing for men while accelerating for women. In 1980 the death rate for breast cancer among American women was five times the lung cancer death rate. But by 1983 it was only 9 per cent more than the lung cancer rate.

However these expectancy gains are slowing down, and the cost of health care is steadily rising. Per capita spending on health reached \$1,580 in 1984, a threefold rise in one decade.

Probe set for comet encounter

San Francisco (Reuters) - Halley's Comet and the unmanned Pioneer 12 space probe will come within 24 million miles of each other on Monday, the closest an American craft will get to the comet's sweep through the solar system.

Pioneer 12 was launched in 1978 to orbit and study Venus. It was repositioned by NASA scientists last December to make observations of the comet.

The European Space Agency's Giotto craft will have the closest encounter with the comet. It is due to fly within 300 miles of the comet's nucleus on March 13.



Mr Lubbers: a frustrated team of ministers.

The Danes have long been among the least enthusiastic about the Community, even though they benefit from EEC membership as much, if not more, than most. But the Danish Parliament (Folketing), reflecting a tide of anti-EEC feeling, upset the president's plans by voting against the modest and distinctly limited Luxembourg reforms.

Dutch hopes now rest on a 'yes' vote in Denmark's consultative referendum at the end of this month.

Mr Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, the Danish Foreign Minister, admitted on his recent foreign tour of EEC capitals that a 'no' in the referendum would be seen as a 'no' to the EEC as such. Yet he assured his fellow foreign ministers in Brussels last week that Denmark was a loyal member of the Community. But as Mr Hans van den Broek, the Dutch Foreign Minister, warned reporters in The

Kasparov flays chess president

Barcelona (Reuters) - Gary Kasparov, the Soviet world chess champion, says he will fight to unseat the president of the World Chess Federation (Fide), Mr Florencio Campomanes.

He accused Mr Campomanes of siding with the former champion, Anatoly Karpov, in their controversial world title match last year.

"Campomanes has done very bad things for chess, although the Fide leadership has tried to rectify some of his errors," Kasparov said at a news conference in Barcelona. He was in the city to receive an award from a local sports paper, *El Mundo Deportivo*, and to play a simultaneous exhibition game against 30 challengers in Alcoy, Alicante province.

Kasparov said he supported Senator Lincoln Lucena of Brazil for the presidency of Fide at its meeting at the end of the year.

"Karpov and I want the rematch to be held in Leningrad, but Fide insists that it be in London," he said.

He said he accepted a rematch with Karpov, also from the Soviet Union, to put an end to the chess controversy.

"I accept the re-match not because I consider it justified, but to avoid any more damage to chess," he said.

Tax doubled

Nicosia (Reuters) - The Cyprus Parliament has voted to double a special defence tax from one to two per cent of all Greek Cypriots' wages and salaries.

Karamanlis was deceived

From Mario Modiano, Athens

A sudden disclosure of the backstage events that led to the removal of President Karamanlis early last year has offered a rare insight into the workings of Greek politics.

It was revealed that two weeks before Mr Andreas Papandreu, the Prime Minister, nominated Judge Christos Sarzentakis as the post of President, he had sent two emissaries to at least two other prominent Greeks with the same offer, but was turned down.

The first approach was made to Mr Panayotis Kanellopoulos, the respected former Prime Minister, poet and philosopher, who is aged 83. The other was to Mr Themistocoulos, president of the Council of State, the supreme administrative tri-

Both declined, and there may have been others.

A government spokesman confirmed that the offer had been made to Mr Kanellopoulos on February 24, 1985. However, there is evidence that four days later Mr Papandreu called on President Karamanlis to reassure him of his personal support for his re-election.

One of his trusted ministers visited the presidential secretary general on March 8 to confirm that Mr Papandreu intended to nominate Mr Karamanlis as the ruling Socialist Party's central committee meeting the next day. Instead, the Prime Minister proposed the candidacy of Mr Sarzentakis. Mr Karamanlis resigned the next day.

The Opposition now claims that the disclosures exposed the full extent of Mr Papandreu's premeditation in deceiving Mr Karamanlis. It also emphasized that Mr Sarzentakis was not speaking the truth on March 9 when, in a speech accepting his nomination by the Socialists, he claimed he had been taken by surprise.

However, the main opposition party, New Democracy, was also seriously embarrassed. Mr Dionysios Livanos, a dissident New Democracy deputy who is also Mr Kanellopoulos's nephew, said he had told the Constantine Mitsotakis, the party leader, about the offer to his uncle. But Mr Mitsotakis had failed to warn President Karamanlis, the founder of New Democracy.

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March date set by González for Nato referendum

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

The Spanish Government yesterday set March 12 for its controversial referendum on whether to remain in Nato, revealing an all-important question.

Aiming for a "yes" vote to justify its own defence policy which after three years in office, the Government is sticking to its three well-known conditions: not joining Nato's military structure, maintaining Spain's non-nuclear status, and a progressive reduction of US forces.

The word Nato is avoided completely, which has produced indignant reactions from Spanish peace groups.

The question, read to reporters after a Cabinet meeting by Senator Alfonso Guerra, the Deputy Prime Minister, asks: "Do you consider it advisable for Spain to remain in the Atlantic Alliance on the terms decided by the Government?"

Senor Guerra emphasized

that the Government is "trusting to the citizens sense of responsibility" for a vote to stay in. He said the Government had not tackled what it will do if a majority emerges for quitting. The Government is not considering a general election should it lose, he added.

No other Nato country has held such a referendum before, but the Socialists committed themselves to it in their 1982 election manifesto. Spain joined Nato by a majority in Parliament earlier that year, with the Socialists opposing. On coming to power they froze further integration, though in fact the Government has remained in Nato's defence planning committees.

A working day should help the referendum turnout. A large abstention, invalidating the whole process, is what the Government fears most. The Cabinet has sent its

decision for endorsement by Parliament as required for holding a referendum in time for next Tuesday's debate on Nato.

Tuesday's encounter in Parliament, and with the Spanish people after that, will be the most difficult experience Señor Felipe González, the Prime Minister, has faced in three years in office. He postponed the debate for almost a year hoping the country's mood would evolve, waiting particularly until after joining the EEC.

The Opposition, led by Señor Manuel Fraga, whose party wants full Nato integration and yesterday described the referendum as a "swindle", will try to persuade its supporters to abstain.

Polls commissioned by the Government now show a majority for remaining, but those in Spanish newspapers show a majority for leaving.



An election poster urging women to participate for the first time in Liechtenstein's parliamentary elections this weekend.

Zeit für die BP

Victors of Aden pledge unity

Aden (Reuter) - South Yemen's new leadership, which ousted President Ali Nasser Muhammad after 12 days of fighting this month, has promised to pursue unity with North Yemen, according to Aden Radio.

Arab diplomatic sources said the pledge was apparently intended to dispel apprehension in North Yemen that the new Aden leadership might be hostile. The two countries have been discussing plans to merge for several years.

In another conciliatory move, the President under the interim Head of State, Mr Haider Abubakar al-Atas, undertook to "preserve and consolidate brotherly relations with all Arab states, based on mutual respect and solidarity against imperialism and Zionism".

Sydney (Reuter) - Archaeologists have discovered aboriginal rock paintings in a limestone cave system in Tasmania which they believe to be among the world's oldest.

The team believes the art work, a series of 15 red ochre outlines of the human hand, might be more than 14,000 years old.

Airline's fleet for inspection

Tokyo (AP) - Japan Airlines is expanding the scope of inspections on its Boeing 747SR aircraft that began after one of the planes crashed in Japan last summer, killing 520 people.

The airline will inspect the nose, rear pressure bulkhead and main and tail wings on all the aircraft in its fleets.

Sailor could be executed

Newport, Rhode Island (AP) - A black US Navy sailor has been found guilty of premeditated murder in the fatal stabbing of a white lieutenant at sea, a verdict which could result in the Navy's first use of the death penalty since 1949.

An military jury found Petty Officer Mitchell T. Garraway guilty of the murder of Lieutenant James Sterner on board the USS Miller last June.

Shot twice

Rome (AP) - Mr Leon Klinghoffer, the 69-year-old New York passenger murdered by the hijackers of the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro, was shot twice with a Polish-made sub-machinegun, according to the final post mortem examination.

Mayor Clint?

Carmel, California (AFP) - Clint Eastwood, the film star who has made a career out of playing tough vigilante heroes in Westerns, is running for mayor of this small California town where he has lived for 14 years.

Pilot error

Los Mochis, Mexico (AP) - The pilot of a DC-3 plane that crashed into a hillside on Wednesday, killing all 21 people on board, took an unnecessary risk in trying to land despite "zero visibility", an inquiry found.

Supreme day

Geneva (AFP) - The American soul singer Diana Ross, aged 43, is to marry Mr Arne Naess, a 46-year-old Norwegian millionaire, secretly in a Swiss village today, according to a reliable source.

Author better

Malaga (Reuter) - The 91-year-old Anglo-Irish author Gerald Brenan has been released from Malaga hospital, where he was admitted on Sunday with internal bleeding.

Killer owns up

Jerusalem (Reuter) - A 22-year-old Palestinian has confessed to shooting dead an Israeli police intelligence officer near the walls of Jerusalem's Old City, police sources claimed.

Arrest widens Berlin scandal

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

A second West Berlin Christian Democrat Party official in three months has been arrested on suspicion of taking bribes.

The arrest happened a day after the usually un-sensational weekly newspaper *Die Zeit* published a "dossier" on West Berlin scandals. The article merely collated information that was already known, but the scale of the corruption looked spectacular when drawn together in this way.

The newspaper printed the photographs of 21 West Berlin officials, nearly all members of the Christian Democrats, but including the treasurer of the Social Democrats, who are being investigated in connection with inquiries into attempted murder, illegal prostitution, tax avoidance, arson, insurance fraud, blackmail and dubious payments to political parties.

Die Zeit said four public prosecutors and 19 detectives were now investigating corruption in the city.

The latest official to be arrested is Herr Jorg Herrmann, a district building official. The West Berlin Justice Department said yesterday he was being held in connection with payments of DM 50,000 (about £15,000) from a building contractor, Herr Kurt Franke, who was arrested last weekend.

The Christian Democrat mayor of West Berlin, Herr Eberhard Diepgen, suspended last Monday a district mayor on suspicion of taking bribes from Herr Franke. But a few hours later, Herr Diepgen claimed that he himself had accepted DM 75,000 (about £22,400) from the same building contractor.

The payment was allegedly made when Herr Diepgen was in opposition in the early 1980s. He says it was a legitimate campaign contribution, accounted for in the party books.

The present scandal began on November 4 with the arrest of another Christian Democrat building official, Herr Wolfgang Antes, on suspicion of taking up to DM 1 million (£298,000) from several building firms.

Herr Diepgen, aged 44, until this week a rising star in the Christian Democrat Party, will be the subject of a motion of no confidence put down by the left-wing Alternative List group, and supported by the Social Democrats, at a special meeting of the city Parliament today. But the Social Democrats are unlikely to do well politically out of the scandals because party members were involved in so many when they controlled the city for 30 years. Three of their district majors had to resign.

Kissinger may stand for office

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Dr Henry Kissinger, one of America's most powerful secretaries of state, has announced that he is considering a request from New York Republicans to run as candidate for State Governor in November.

Dr Kissinger, aged 62, and head of his own foreign policy consulting firm, has never stood for any elective office. If chosen by the Republicans, he would face a formidable Democratic incumbent in Mr Mario Cuomo.

In the past two months, he has twice met the chairman of the New York Republicans and party leaders at their request. He said on Thursday: "I have not previously considered standing for elective office, but I am complimented by their request and I feel I owe them a consideration for their view."

Friends and associates said his candidacy was still only a long shot, but that he would be a credible alternative to Governor Cuomo.

Dr Kissinger briefly considered running for the Senate in 1980, and has remained in the national spotlight since President Reagan took office. Until now the leading Republican prospect appeared to be the state Senator, Mr Roy Goodman, a millionaire liberal from Manhattan.

Museveni in line for help

From Richard Dowden, Kampala

Western aid donors have indicated to Mr Yoweri Museveni, the new Ugandan President, that there are hundreds of millions of dollars in aid available to the country over the next three years, according to a Western diplomat.

The diplomat said that at a meeting with Mr Museveni representatives of the donors gave positive signals about the new Government. He added that Mr Museveni had seemed to be saying all the right things.

The President has said that Uganda will repay all its debts and although the new Finance Minister, Professor Ponsius Mulema, has been strongly critical of IMF policy, he has already been shown the budget worked out between the previous finance minister and IMF officials here and is said not to have

demanded significant changes.

The cost of rebuilding Uganda's shattered infrastructure and economy has been put at \$4 billion. Mr Zia Ibrahim-Zadeh, the IMF's resident representative, said the meeting was very enthusiastic and that at last Western countries felt they could put money into Uganda with a sense of security. The United States, which cut off aid in the light of human rights abuses under the Obote government, has now said that security and human rights seem to be a real possibility in the country.

Mr Ibrahim-Zadeh said the aid donors "seem to be finding themselves in a favourable position. They can get the money very quickly particularly in the case of emergency aid for drugs."

Mr Museveni has appointed the first 12 Cabinet ministers of the new administration, and all but one of them have gone to National Resistance Movement officials, undermining his pledge that he would form a "broad" based administration.

Professor Mulema, the new Finance Minister is the only non-NRM nomination so far. Professor Mulema, a former economics teacher at Makerere University, has been Democratic Party spokesman on finance.

Dr Samson Kisseka, the Prime Minister, is a Ugandan but has been Mr Museveni's top political aid, heading the negotiating team in Nairobi whenever Mr Museveni has been absent. He is the only one of the new ministers to have held a portfolio before, having served in the Buganda administration.

Zimbabwe forces take town held by rebels

From Jan Raath, Harare

Zimbabwe security forces suffered their most serious setback in their offensive against South African-backed guerrillas in Mozambique with the death of the commanding officer there.

However, after the helicopter crash last weekend which killed Colonel Flint Magama, who took over command of the six-month-old offensive earlier in January, Zimbabwean troops on Monday overran the town of Marroume, which had been in the hands of Mozambique

National Resistance rebels for about three weeks.

Military observers here expressed surprise that the Zimbabweans had taken on such a big operation more than 100 miles north of the area where they had hitherto been confined.

The Ministry of Defence said here yesterday that Colonel Magama died when the helicopter he was in crashed after engine failure.

But military sources here said the helicopter was shot down by MNR guerrillas.

Backlash feared on US aid

From Bailey Morris, Washington

Congressional officials have issued a sharp warning to the White House that its request for a 12.5 per cent increase in foreign aid in President Reagan's new Budget could trigger a national backlash which would destroy the entire aid programme.

Senator Richard Lugar, chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, said the proposed \$16.3 billion (£11.6 billion) aid programme invited "catastrophe".

A highly controversial proposal almost to double military aid to the Philippines from \$54 million to \$103 million is certain to draw opposition at a time of growing congressional doubts over the Marcos regime.

The across-the-board increases violate both the letter and spirit of the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings balanced budget law, introduced recently, which requires unprecedented cuts in domestic spending during the current election year, according to Senator Lugar and other officials.

Administration officials, in closed-door sessions with congressional leaders, said the foreign aid proposal is only a "draft" request which can be scaled back but both Republicans and Democrats, noting the timing of the budget release next week, were sceptical.

Spain confirms illegal export of Goya work

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

The Spanish Ambassador in London has told Christie's, the fine art auctioneers, that Goya's portrait of the Marquess de Santa Cruz, scheduled for sale on April 11, was reported illegally from Spain and should be returned.

The letter was received by Christie's on Wednesday. We have passed it on to the wner's advisers," a spokesman said yesterday.

Goya's masterpiece, which is expected to fetch more than £8 million at auction, has been sent for sale by a company controlled by Lord Wimbourne's family trust. Secret negotiations to sell it to the Prado Museum in Madrid broke down last month.

A spokesman for Lord Wimbourne, Mr Geoffrey Irvine, said yesterday the

public sale of the painting was arranged in order to force the Spanish Government to define its legal status.

The painting was bought in 1983, as an investment with the intention of resale, from a Spanish businessman, Señor Pedro Saorin Bosch, who said he had received a Spanish export licence in return for a favour.

The licence documentation was checked and appeared in order; it was not until the painting was sent to the Getty Museum in Malibu, California, to be considered for purchase that the legality of the export was challenged.

The cultural attaché at the Spanish Embassy in Washington told the museum the picture had been exported illegally, and Lord



The disputed Goya portrait, The Marquess of Santa Cruz.

Wimbourne's advisers withdrew it from sale in mid-1983 and began to investigate the situation.

In February 1985 they were approached by a Madrid law firm, which said it was acting for the Spanish Government and began negotiations to buy the painting. Absolute secrecy was a condition of

the negotiations because of the potential embarrassment to the Government.

Lord Wimbourne's side named a price, which the Spanish claimed was outrageous but never countered with an offer of their own. On December 17 Lord Wimbourne issued an ultimatum: an offer must be received within a month, or negotiations were closed. On January 17 the painting was sent to Christie's for sale.

Christie's, for their part, are delighted to have so valuable a picture to sell. They have checked the export licence and believe it in order; they expect the sale to go ahead on April 11.

EEC proposes to build official link with East

From Richard Owen, Brussels

The EEC yesterday proposed negotiating with Comecon, the Soviet bloc economic association, in order to establish official links and make a joint declaration on political and economic relations.

The community maintains that its relations with individual Comecon countries should not be affected by any agreement between the two blocs.

Mr Willy de Clercq, the EEC Commissioner for Ex-

ternal Relations, yesterday discussed the opening of EEC-Comecon contacts with Mr Iulian Vacarel, the Romanian Ambassador to Brussels.

Mr de Clercq handed Mr Vacarel a letter containing the community's proposals and the Secretary of Comecon in Moscow, He simultaneously handed over a similar letter addressed to the Government of Romania, which he said currently holds the presidency of Comecon and therefore represents the east European nations.

This dual approach under-

lines the EEC view that while relations between the two halves of Europe are desirable, the community has to deal both with Comecon's Moscow headquarters and its individual member countries.

The dialogue process began last May when Mr Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, acknowledged in talks with Signor Bettino Craxi, the Italian Prime Minister, that the EEC was a "political entity" and that the two blocs should try to find a common language.

In June, Mr Sychov wrote to the commission in Brus-

sels proposing formal links. This approach was seen as part of the new Gorbachev leadership's policy of stressing ties with western Europe.

The initial EEC response was cautious, but in September Mr Sychov wrote to Mr de Clercq assuring him that inter-block relations would not affect bilateral links.

EEC officials said that opening a dialogue with Comecon was consistent with the long-term aim of EEC foreign policy - the normalization of political and economic relations within Europe.

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THE ARTS

Opera Little conjured up from the kitsch

Faust Covent Garden

Selling one's soul to the devil certainly seems to be in vogue at the moment. With English National Opera's Faust still fresh in the memory and with Busoni's version of the story ready to be unwrapped there in April, the Royal Opera have wheeled on the 423rd performance of Gounod's work at Covent Garden in a revival of their 12-year-old production.

It could not be further from the ENO's controversial approach to Gounod. John Copley's huge Gothic fantasy, with its cobwebby forest arches and its technicolour crowd scenes, has now had some rather crude plastic surgery. Acts IV and V have been restaged by Michael Remson and redesigned by Johan Engels. The church scene is turned into a tour de force of ecclesiastical kitsch which even Lindsay Kemp would be proud of while painting into reverse as the organ intones the Dies Irae. Marguerite's prison bars slide apart to reveal a Disney-like angelic choir and a sun-streaming rose window on high, as Méphistophélès withers below in his swirling carmine robe.

The transition from the pop-out story-book, which the old production had become, with its faded, slow-turning pages, to crude Hollywood kitsch simply does not work. It emphasizes rather than exploits the work's own awkward history of metamorphosis from opéra comique to grand opera, and ends up with its underskirts caught on the fence in between. The Méphistophélès, a token Batman of a devil in black and red sequins, neither conjures/entertains nor foul fiend, is a victim of this dilemma. Samuel



Samuel Ramey: superb command of Gounod's devilish writing

Ramey's well-cast vocal prowess properly hypnotizes the ear with its superb command of Gounod's devilish writing - but that is all. The Royal Opera have had more than their share of mishaps this season, and the illness of Luis Lima has brought Stuart Burrows back to the title role. He finds little in what seems to be an under-rehearsed production to help him overcome considerable vocal hurdles; even when the score burgeons into the

garden scene, his opening "Salut demeure chaste et pure" stands demurely in front of an ubiquitous television camera. One of the evening's great hopes was Nelly Miricioiu. She brings a raw Eastern European plangency to Marguerite's "Roi de Thulé", but the voice is as yet uneasy in the repertoire, and the light that glims in her Jewel Song is dimmed by an uncharacteristically charmless, edgy vocal line. The other great hope was

the conductor Michel Plasson; but his soft-centred approach to French opera, deliciously light for the interludes but numbingly slow for the voice, is just what this staging does not need. The gloom is fleetingly dispelled by the Valentin of Andreas Schmidt, making his British debut, by Judith Howard's eager, idiomatic Siebel and by Nuala Willis's house debut as a velvet Marthe. Hilary Finch

Theatre Medium cheerful

Blithe Spirit Vaudeville

The shuddering chins of Margaret Rutherford hang heavily over subsequent attempts to scale Madame Arcati, just as Edith Evans's handbag weighs down many an actress trying for Lady Bracknell. Marcia Warren, latest to take on the role of the lovable old bat Arcati, referred to the perils on this page on Wednesday. She appeared to be cheerful about the prospect and, as it turns out, her interpretation is strong on cheerfulness.

She gives us the eccentricity that goes without saying, the eager stomping around the furniture, the schoolgirl slang and all that energy. Like her colourful garb (something Balkan), it is this exuberance that sets the character apart from everyone else's formal correctness. Even when Charles and his two wives are bickering at each other, they do so in the best possible grammar.

When Coward was asked how it was that a play about death and spooks managed to avoid offending the prevailing canons of good taste, he said this was "because it has no heart in it". He was wrong, of course, but the heart has all gone into Madame Arcati. We do not care a fig for the others. They are witty puppets, Charles and the shrewy Elvira, remarkably witty, but Ma-



Langorous and catty, funny and dejected: Joanna Lumley, Simon Cadell

dame Arcati is flesh and blood. Coward showed his good sense when he fell in love with her.

Marcia Warren's head-bobbing cheerfulness is all part of showing the character as such a professional. In the context of the play, the Other Side does exist. Dead wives are successfully brought back, gowns fluttering in the wind machine. Coward was little interested in people who work for their living unless they were in the theatre. But this may have been Madame Arcati's hold over him. All that skipping about, reciting tomfoolery that captures

marvels out of nothing - she is a professional performer. Perhaps she is another of Coward's self-portraits. The performance and the play with it dip in the middle act when her response to triumph would benefit from more bounce. The writing itself is dimmer here. Elvira where the wit remains undated. I draw your attention to the opening scene: no de- wood in it at all, a cunningly scattered w- canting hints of things come. It holds the audier from the first line.

Joanna Lumley's Elvira amorously wriggling in shoulders, with grey dr trailing below them, is a come really catty until end. Simon Cadell alw looks funny when de- and the famous broken str struggles to repair itself. I timing is excellent. I director is Peter Farago, a his clever idea for a curta call neatly rounds off evening.

Jeremy Kingst

Long Distance Form 16: Breakfast Television Just what spinach did for Popeye

The following is a summary of what you got between 7.30 and 8 one morning recently. Nick Owen and Ann Diamond, who won the tabloid tag "Mr and Miss Ordinary" when they replaced the Jay glamour gang, wish us a very good morning if we are just joining them and introduce the News (4 minutes) and Sport (4 minutes) before a short report on passenger reaction to armed police at Heathrow. Nick wishes a happy birthday to Rita Rigby, aged 50, and interviews (or, rather, fawns to) Grace Slick, an allegedly "legendary" American singer. Next, the pop correspondent raps out "some fascinating facts about Madonna". Wincey the Weathergirl suggests suitable dress for those going out and wishes happy birthday to a man from Co Durham, aged 81. Nick wishes a happy sixth to a little boy called Paul and, while Anne giggles, shows his molars to a viewer who has requested a birthday gm. I did not hear Michael Hestline's name at all, but perhaps it was not his birthday.

Well, that was the "mission to explain" that was a cross between an animated greeting card and a pop fan's magazine. I have a terrible fear that the key to TV-AM's success is its endless mentions of potential viewers' names; you too can be famous for a fifteenth of a second. The whole show reeks of a belief that it is a sin to think at that time of the morning. At one point, they played a video of a song by the pop group A-ha, called "The Sun Always Shines on TV". Ah ha; A-ha have clearly seen TV-AM.

The BBC's Breakfast Time is better in almost every respect. Throughout the Westland affair, the journalist Adam Raphael and assorted ministers and public figures have contributed to long and complex discussions, often matching in their intelligence and intensity the coverage of the Today programme on radio. A recent interview with the author of the report that KGB agents were placed at Greenham Common was a model of insistent grilling, and the brew is improved by brisk, idiosyncratic films like Glyn Worsnip's report on Concorde.

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professional Frank Bough remains above reproach but, as anchor, he has an increasingly listing ship to still - Selina Scott, white with tiredness, displays the incarceration gaze of a Rapunzel waiting for the rope to be thrown; Debbie Greenwood, a former Miss UK, has had her first lessons in television presentation before our horrified eyes. At one time, having apparently been urged to

interviews, she became involved in pantomimic "Yes, you did", "No, I didn't" exchanges. The intervention of Debbie, who does as well in television journalism as Sir Robin Day might do in beauty contests, may prestage an ITV-style march down market; already there are more crawling "star" interviews - fan-mail posing as analysis. But, for me, Breakfast Time is as far ahead in

Last night's viewing Making pictures move

Sir Lawrence Gowing concluded Three Painters (BBC2) with a disquisition on Matisse; in that artist he found a wonderful subject and, although television may not be the most appropriate medium for the discussion of aesthetic principles, it was certainly able to convey something of the painter's actual achievement.

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business is no doubt a perfect subject for television comedy (if it is comedy), and Ian McShane might as best conceivably pass as a luminary in that "game", as he calls it - at least on a dark night. But the series is still very peculiar: as sometimes happens in the best intentioned of BBC productions, an intelligent script (by Ian Isenhardt) and a high standard of production are left floundering because of a basic uncertainty of tone. Is it comedy, or drama, or something else altogether? We may never know.

Peter Ackroyd

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Concert

The Wallace Collection Elizabeth Hall

Perhaps if *foix gras* had been on offer then Thursday night's concert by massed trumpets would have seemed more heavenly, but as it was this debut evening with "The Wallace Collection", formed around that excellent trumpeter John Wallace, missed reaching its promised splendour. Partly the fault was one of excess: after two hours of trumpet music one begins to feel oneself being coldly and quietly stabbed from inside the head. But the programme was ill-proportioned in other ways. It was a mistake to begin each half with a whole group of fanfares: one would have been fine, but four by Diabelli and then six by Max Kaller, all with a whiff of rubicund Austro-German joviality about them, rather gilded the lily a few times. The concert was unfortunate too in coming up with nothing very special among its new items.

Instead all the joys were in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Robert Farley and Mark Bennett both showed what a beautiful instrument the natural (valveless) trumpet is, capable of a refreshingly gentle softness and respecting the performer's breath, not mechanically processing it. Mr Farley played two short sonatas by Fantini, Mr Bennett two later and more substantial ones by Viviani, in which he displayed admirable brilliance, stamina and suavety. The pieces for trumpet

ensemble which made up the bulk of the programme included: Mozart's Divertimento; K188, for two flutes, five trumpets and timpani, possibly written to accompany dressage at the Salzburg riding school and requiring the players to perform with self-defeating discretion in order to reach its miniature clockwork precision. But they had the chance to blaze in Altenburg's Concerto for piccolo trumpet (John Wilbraham in silvery form), six accompanying trumpets and timpani, and again in *The Fifth Trumpet* by Paul Max Edlin, a young composer who may not always wish to show his hand so outrageously. Andrew Wilson-Dickson was probably unwise to amplify his *Rhannon* for the occasion; Edward Shipley's *M'aina* kept promising something.

Paul Griffiths

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KENSINGTON PALACE January 31: The Princess of Wales this morning visited the National Drugs Intelligence Unit based at New Scotland Yard, London SW1.

in the evening accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will attend the royal film performance White Nights at the Odeon Theatre, Leicester Square, in aid of the Cinema and Television Benevolent Fund.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J E S Bevan and Captain S F Parker, RAMC and Miss M G M Bevan, of Longstowe, Cambridgeshire, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs A V Parker, of Appleton, Cheshire.

Luncheons

Lord Henderson of Brompton Lord Henderson of Brompton was host at a luncheon held on Thursday at the House of Lords.

Dean of Faculty of Advocates, Mr William Prosser. The principal speaker was Dr Farquhar Macintosh, Rector of the Royal High School and the Vice-Chairman of the Dean Orphanage.

David Holloway The Temple of learning

Whether the church should concern itself only with religion and not meddle in politics is not a new dilemma. In the miners strike of 1926 a group of bishops tried to bring the miners, the pit owners and the Government together.

denunciation of customs or institutions in contemporary life and practice which offend against those principles. At once he gained the support of those wanting to oppose certain policies of the Government or, more strongly, wanting to change the social order.

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Mr K J M Keane and Miss M K Reid. The engagement is announced between Kevin John Keane, only son of Mrs Anna C. Keane, of Southgate, London, and the late Mr John Keane, and Margaret Christine, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Reid, of Papakotae, Auckland, New Zealand.

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Birthdays

TODAY: Sir Kenneth Bond, 66; Major Stanley Cyster, 76; Mr Peter Crill, 61; Vice-Admiral Sir Norman Dalton, 82; Professor Sir Sam Edwards, 58; Mr E. Evans, 61; Mr Robert Gittings, 75; Mr Leonard Gribble, 78; Sir Douglas Hall, 77; Sir Gordon Hobby, 70; Professor Douglas Johnson, 61; Sir Maurice Laing, 68; Sir Jack Lyons, 70; Sir Stanley Matthews, 71; Lord Mountevans, 43; Sir John Nutt, 54; Professor Mark Richmond, 55; Mrs Muriel Spark, 68; Sir Peter Tappell, MP, 56; Miss Renata Tebaldi, 64.

Memorial service

The Dowager Countess Howe A memorial service for the Dowager Countess Howe was held at Holy Trinity Church, Penn, Buckinghamshire, yesterday. The Rev Oscar Muspratt officiated and gave an address. Pandora Cooper, Key, grand-daughter, read the lesson and Lady Mary Gaye Anstruther-Gough-Calthorpe, daughter, read a prayer by Father Bede Jarrett. The Bishop of Buckingham pronounced the blessing.

Service dinners

Royal Naval College, Greenwich. Admiral of the Fleet Sir John Fieldhouse, Chief of the Defence Staff, was the principal guest and speaker at a dinner held last night at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich, to mark the closing of the college, presided by Commander C. Flindell, RAN, and Captain J.D.W. Vernon, was present.

Latest wills

Lady Bibby, of Tarporley, Cheshire, wife of Sir Harold Bibby, president of the Bibby Line, left estate valued at £1,863,675 net. Her estate is left mostly to her husband and children.

Reception

London Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The Portuguese Ambassador and Senhora Hall Tendam were the principal guests at a reception given by the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry at Guildhall on Thursday evening to welcome Portugal and Spain into the European Community.

Science report

Scientists know how alcohol damages the liver but they have yet to discover how it attacks other organs, such as the heart, pancreas or brain, which deteriorate through alcohol abuse.

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Royal Society of Arts

The Council of the Royal Society of Arts has awarded the bicentenary medal to Sir Kenneth Corfield for his role in raising the standard of product design in British industry.

Service luncheon

Fleet Air Arm Officers of the 48th Pilots' Course (1943) Fleet Air Arm held an anniversary luncheon yesterday at the Mayfair Hotel, commanded by Dennis White, RN, was the principal guest.

OBITUARY DR C. LANGTON HEWER Pioneer in anaesthetic techniques

Dr Christopher Langton Hewer who has died at the age of 89, made an important contribution to the role of the anaesthetist and to the progress and safety of anaesthesia at a time when the speciality was expanding rapidly. In addition to writing a number of major works on anaesthesia he had himself anaesthetised many celebrated people in public life, notably Sir Winston Churchill for a hernia operation, and George Bernard Shaw.

PROF KENNETH DODGSON

Professor Kenneth Scott Dodgson, Professor of Biochemistry at University College, Cardiff, died on January 9, aged 63. He was an eminent enzymologist with an international reputation, and was chairman of the Biochemical Society.

SIR LEONARD PATON

Sir Leonard Paton, CBE, MC, who died on January 18 at the age of 93, had spent all his working and active life with the great firm of Harrison and Crossfield, the Anglo-Far Eastern merchants and shippers, and from 1957 to 1962 was its chairman.

MRS BRIGITTE SCHIFFER

Mrs Brigitte Schiffer, a music critic who did much to keep the German-speaking world informed of what was happening in this country during a crucial period of creative musical growth, died in London on January 21.

COL SIR GEORGE WADE

Colonel Sir George Wade, MC, former chairman of the Wade pottery group, died on January 27, aged 94.



Victorian restoration project under way

Mrs Debbie Coleman (above), chief restorer with Plymouth Art Museum, at work on "Suspense", a Victorian painting by the Truro artist Richard Harry Carter, who was well known for his Cornish seascapes. The large canvas - it is more than 6ft wide by 4ft high - has suffered severe damage to the paint surface during at least 25 years in storage.

University news

Cambridge. Elected to fellowship in class IV for three years from October 1: N. Greaves, BA, of Jesus College; S. Milstein, B.Mus, M.Phil, of Churchill College; S.P. Taylor, BA, of Peterhouse.

Appointments

Mr Donald Keith Rattice, QC, to be Attorney General of the Duchy and Attorney and Sergeant within the County Palatine of Lancaster, in succession to Mr Justice Knox. Mr Clifford Swann to be Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Probation.

Clue to how alcohol attacks body

Scientists know how alcohol damages the liver but they have yet to discover how it attacks other organs, such as the heart, pancreas or brain, which deteriorate through alcohol abuse. An explanation could soon emerge from the work by researchers at Washington University School of Medicine.

Science report

been hampered by two things. One is that the liver is the only organ capable of making acetaldehyde by oxidation. The other is that liver-produced acetaldehyde has not been shown by laboratory experiment to injure directly those organs which themselves are unable to make it.

Appointments

Mr Donald Keith Rattice, QC, to be Attorney General of the Duchy and Attorney and Sergeant within the County Palatine of Lancaster, in succession to Mr Justice Knox. Mr Clifford Swann to be Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Probation.

University news

Cambridge. Elected to fellowship in class IV for three years from October 1: N. Greaves, BA, of Jesus College; S. Milstein, B.Mus, M.Phil, of Churchill College; S.P. Taylor, BA, of Peterhouse.

Advertisement for Phillips Fine Wines. Includes the text 'WHY IT PAYS TO SELL FINE WINES AT PHILLIPS' and an image of a wine bottle.

Attempts to find how other organs are damaged have

He served in the First World War with the Machine Gun Corps and was awarded the MC and Bar, he was

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SATURDAY

A weekly guide to leisure, entertainment and the arts

February 1-7, 1986

Flat out for the big screen battle

Sixty years after Logie Baird unveiled his 'televisor', today's scientists are racing to be first with tomorrow's home entertainment - flat-screen, high quality television that will make an evening's viewing feel like going to the movies

In the not-too-distant future Mr and Mrs Typical will sit down with their two-and-a-half children to watch an episode of the latest soap spin-off The Cobys of Coronation Street. They will be keen to maintain their viewing time at the national average of 21 hours per person per week. And they will also be determined to get value for money from the Supplementary Licence Fee they pay to receive High Definition Television.

For the Typical's set has a screen of 50 inches. It looks like a cinema because it is wider than it is high. It is only four inches thick so it simply hangs on the wall. The picture is superb thanks to the 1250-line format. And the sound is as good as that achieved by compact disc hi-fi. This may all be bad news for the star of the soap, Joan Collins, who might by that time be expected to be showing signs of age. But for the Typical and their dog, Terry, it is just dandy.

Almost all the technology which will make this scene possible is ready. Everybody agrees it is the only way for television to go. But getting there is proving hard going. The movement to flat screen, high definition television is the latest technical revolution which will transform sets in the home. On January 28, 1926, The Times reported John Logie Baird's successful experiment in Frith Street, Soho. Ten years later British television was established with a 405-line standard. This continued until 1985 when it all fell safe to assume that the old sets had finally broken down. By then the new 625-line standard had improved picture quality and colour had appeared. Now cable, satellite, teletext and stereo are all either available or imminent.

But conventional television technology has reached the end of the line. Something like 98 per cent of the population has a set and only buying second ones or trading up to teletext or stereo machines is providing manufacturers with any growth at all. Furthermore, 625-line colour existing transmission systems is as good as it will ever be. And that means it is still far short of cinema quality. The next step has to be radically new hardware which will match the movies' realism in your front room. Making the next step

Everyone will have to buy new TV sets

requires two developments - the production of a wide, flat screen and the creation of new transmission systems. The first is possible, but is still fraught with technological problems. The second is possible, but is causing political nightmares. The television tube has remained largely unchanged throughout broadcasting history. Electrons are fired from a gun and deflected by magnets on to the screen. They have to travel a certain distance and they need to hit a curved screen. So we are stuck with a chunky box with an ugly projection jutting out of the back and a distorted, curved image which breaks up on close examination and which flickers irritatingly when seen from the corner of the eye. In disguising this somewhat primitive machine the Japanese have come up with a shiny hi-tech look. But the British public still loves the strip of teak that pretends the beast is really a piece of streamline furniture. Just producing a bigger screen with existing technology simply means a bigger, clumsier beast.

The solution is to find new ways of getting the picture on the screen. Daphne Lampert, a modest boffin at Philips, is working on bending the electrons fired from the gun so that the screen needs only a tiny fraction of its present depth. Sir Clive Sinclair's pocket television used this method. But it was only successful as a gimmick. The real future for television is with bigger, not smaller, screens as it is entertainment, not information, that people use it for.

Ms Lampert's system is much more sophisticated and it can be transferred to a large screen. And it works - though so far only in black and white. Experiments with colour have been done only on a two-inch tube - but she dismisses any suggestion that Philips will not get there in the end. And she knows there are many other routes. A liquid crystal screen regarded as the best bet by Thorn-EMI, uses the technology of calculator



Wall to wall Dynasty: How Mr and Mrs Typical may see Krystle and Blake in the sitting-room of the future

displays. Small colour screens are on the market already. The Matsushita tube uses thousands of small cathode-ray tubes. Meanwhile there are other weird and wonderful technologies - such as gas plasmas - which could turn all the other routes into cul-de-sacs.

But there is no point increasing the size of the screen if it has to receive existing transmissions. Blowing up Monday night's Wogan would just make it look worse. The signal for the new screens has to be high definition. This will double the number of lines and be in a wide cinema-style format - everybody agrees that this is the most restful shape to watch as it matches our natural visual field.

High definition television transmission is well ahead of the new screen technology. This means that, when it becomes available, everyone will have to buy new television sets. Those with old ones will see pictures with sides cut off, so during the changeover, programme makers will have to ensure that most of the action takes place in the middle of the screen. On the plus side, Cinemascope feature films will not have to be stretched, shrunk or cropped to fit as they have to be at the moment. But behind the development of high definition standards there is a commercial and political jungle. The central fact to bear in mind is

that there are two worlds - a 60Hz world and a 50Hz world. The United States and Japan are the 60 and everybody else is the 50s. With the American system the entire picture is changed 30 times a second; for the rest of the world it is changed 25 times.

Conversion between the two systems is fairly easy with existing technology. With high definition television the problem becomes serious. So everybody thinks world compatibility is a good thing.

It is not, however, likely to happen. For a start the Japanese have adopted a rather startlingly uncooperative approach by coming up with a system so breathtakingly incompatible that it makes Elizabeth Taylor look monogamous. They think we should leap to high definition television in one staggering expensive bound. They have invented a transmission code called MUSE which overnight, would render present equipment obsolete. They

have won the support of the United States, fellow 60 Hzers, who think it is the best way of stopping a mass of incompatible standards spring up across the globe. But Europe has the whole idea. Our companies say the Japanese want a revolution when what is needed is

evolution. So the European Hizers have come up with MAC which is designed to be entirely compatible with existing equipment and will provide an improved 625-line picture the moment your set is fitted with a small black box on the back. After that the European code can be steadily upgraded eventually to produce high definition television said to be as good as anything demonstrated by the Japanese.

Richard Jackson, a Philips scientist, believes in MAC the way some people believe in life after death. But there are splits in the European ranks too. Phil Laven at BBC engineering thinks a worldwide 60Hz standard would be entirely feasible and he seems to have more technological faith in the Japanese system. Either way, of course, we are going to get a better picture. The irony is that for most people in Britain, the issue is, for the time being, academic. High definition television can be received only from satellites or cable and, unlike Germany and France, we have no plans to launch a satellite and very few people are on cable. From the end of this year people in the south will be able to receive MAC transmissions from the French satellite - providing they buy a converter and a receiving dish or are attached to a cable network. But, for the Typical, it is a question of waiting until the Government decides it wants a satellite. But worldwide it looks like a stand-off. The Japanese could still win but the Europeans are stalwartly refusing to believe that every piece of equipment has to be thrown out. More pointedly they argue that the Third World is the real growth area for television sales - and they are on the European frequency. This leaves one final, huge technological barrier. There is

no way of converting MUSE to MAC and back. If high definition television comes in standards you can say goodbye to Cagney and Lacey. It will, everybody says, be overcome - but it remains another question mark over the Typical's golden future. And do not attempt to derive cheer from the thought that incompatibility could kill Japanese penetration of the European market for televisions and videos. They are perfectly capable of producing MAC and MUSE equipment side by side.

All that said, there is no question that we are nearly there. The Typicals are a heartbeat and a 0.6-metre receiving dish away from viewing bliss. This will be television's third age. Its first was when it sat in a corner, modestly disguised in a teak cabinet and when watching it still had the air of an occasion. Its second was when it was first perceived that it was the medium, not its content, that was the message and when many

sensed that the cabinet in the corner - now wrapped only in a token strip of teak - was the enemy. The third is when television wins; it becomes the environment.

Bryan Appleyard
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Out of Minder: George Cole on stage - p16

Table with 2 columns: Arts Diary, Galleries, Opera, Photography, etc.

THE "TELEVISOR" SUCCESSFUL TEST OF NEW APPARATUS. Members of the Royal Institution and other visitors to a laboratory in an upper room in Frith Street, Soho, on Tuesday saw a demonstration of apparatus invented by Mr. J. L. Baird, who claims to have solved the problem of television. They were shown a transmitting machine, consisting of a large wooden revolving disc containing a camera, behind which was a revolving shutter, and a light sensitive

Bigger, brighter and with us now

While scientists are desperately searching for the secret of the giant flat-screen television, super-sized televisions with a diagonal screen size of up to 46 inches are on the market. These large-screen colour TVs use back projection which produces a much better quality picture than those front projection systems seen in some pubs or clubs. The back projection TV has a flat screen producing a bright picture which can be viewed in normal room lighting. For the TV addict who wants a large screen to create the effect of a small cinema, five models are now available. But they are not cheap - prices vary from £1,500 to £2,500, and they are bulky and heavy - about 2ft deep and weighing 11 stone or more. All five can produce stereo sound (if, for instance, you play a stereo video tape) and they all come with an infra-red remote control key pad, some of which can control a video recorder. With most models you can sit up to 60 degrees to the left or right of centre and still get a bright, sharp picture. The Mitsubishi VS-36 has a 36-inch screen (diagonal measurement), can remember 15 pre-set channel settings and has two five-watt speakers. It costs £1,499. The Mitsubishi VS-451 is



20 inch Typical medium-size television set



40 inch Large screen back-projection

a 45-inch model which also has a 15 pre-set channel memory, two seven-watt speakers and an infra-red remote controller. It measures 49 by 45 by 37 inches, weighs 264lb and costs £2,200. The NEC PJ-40 has a 40-inch screen and two 10-watt speakers. The screen is a monitor only, but comes with a separate tuner which fits into the cabinet and is included in the price of £1,610. The tuner has 12 pre-set channels. The Panasonic TC-4000G has a 40-inch screen, a 20 channel pre-set memory and two sets of stereo speakers of 11 watts per channel, plus a 31-function remote control that will also control a VCR. It costs £2,300. The Sanyo CVP-9111T has a 46-inch screen - the largest of them all, two 10-watt stereo speakers and a 25-function remote control for a VCR. It measures 66 by 42 by 27 inches, weighs 215lb and costs £2,499. For further information contact the manufacturers or their agents for the name and address of your nearest dealer. Mitsubishi Electrical UK Ltd (0923 770090); NEC: J. H. Roche and Co Ltd (021 354 2393); Panasonic UK Ltd (0753 345223); Sanyo Marubeni UK Ltd (0923 46363).

Alan Shriver

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TRAVEL

Edited by Shona Crawford Poole

There are unexpected treasures in Moscow's underground and under the golden cupolas of Suzdal

Deep in the heart of old Russia

The welcome was as icy as the weather. "What are you? Teachers? Miners? Workers of which category, please?"

trolley-bus were like a trigger to the figure-happy guides: 32-storey hotels, population of 8.6 million, 1,000 industrial enterprises, 20 industries, 100,000 new flats

mineralogical adventure along a labyrinth of subterranean palaces. The place to surface for the sights is Prospekt Marska, a semi-circular avenue impossible to cross other than by subway.



Starry citadel: the domes of the Cathedral of the Nativity of the Virgin, Suzdal

you'll get is a rasping avalanche of entirely justified abuse. That was at Suzdal, some 112 miles and five hours' drive north-east along the Moscow-Gorky highway.

nals Suzdal. Declared a conversation zone since 1967, this fortified medieval town is a living architectural museum, with its own Kremlin housing the five indigo, gold-starred domes of the Cathedral of the Nativity of the Virgin.

weathered to glint, from a distance, with a mischievously deceptive silver opulence. For visitors to Suzdal, the city of Vladimir (just 20 minutes' drive away) is the place to stay.



Moscow marvel: St Basil's Cathedral in Red Square

Every visitor to Moscow will be differently surprised. The streets of immaculately restored 18th and 19th-century buildings, pastel-painted and arranged in neat pedestrian precincts, can make you imagine yourself in West Germany.

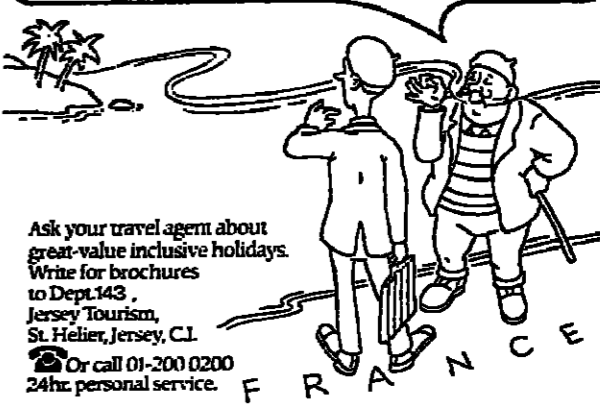
TRAVEL NOTES

Hilary Finch went with Progressive Tours, 12 Parkchester Place, London W20J1 2BZ (1876), which offers enterprising and very reasonably priced packages to various centres, costing from as little as £215 for seven days to Moscow and the 'Golden Ring' of Vladimir and Suzdal.



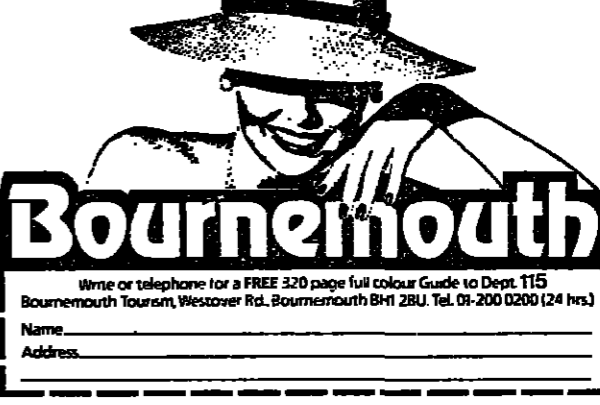
guaranteed to cause minimum delay at customs: Maxim Gorky's My Childhood (Penguin, £2.95); Robert Byron's First Russia, then 7/6et (Penguin, £3.95)

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SHOPPING

Hairbrushes can be strictly functional, or they can become items of pure luxury

Keep your hair on with the big brush-off

When a certain overseas prince needed more hairbrushes, he simply telephoned Asprey, the London jewellers, and ordered a set of military-style brushes filled with pure bristle...

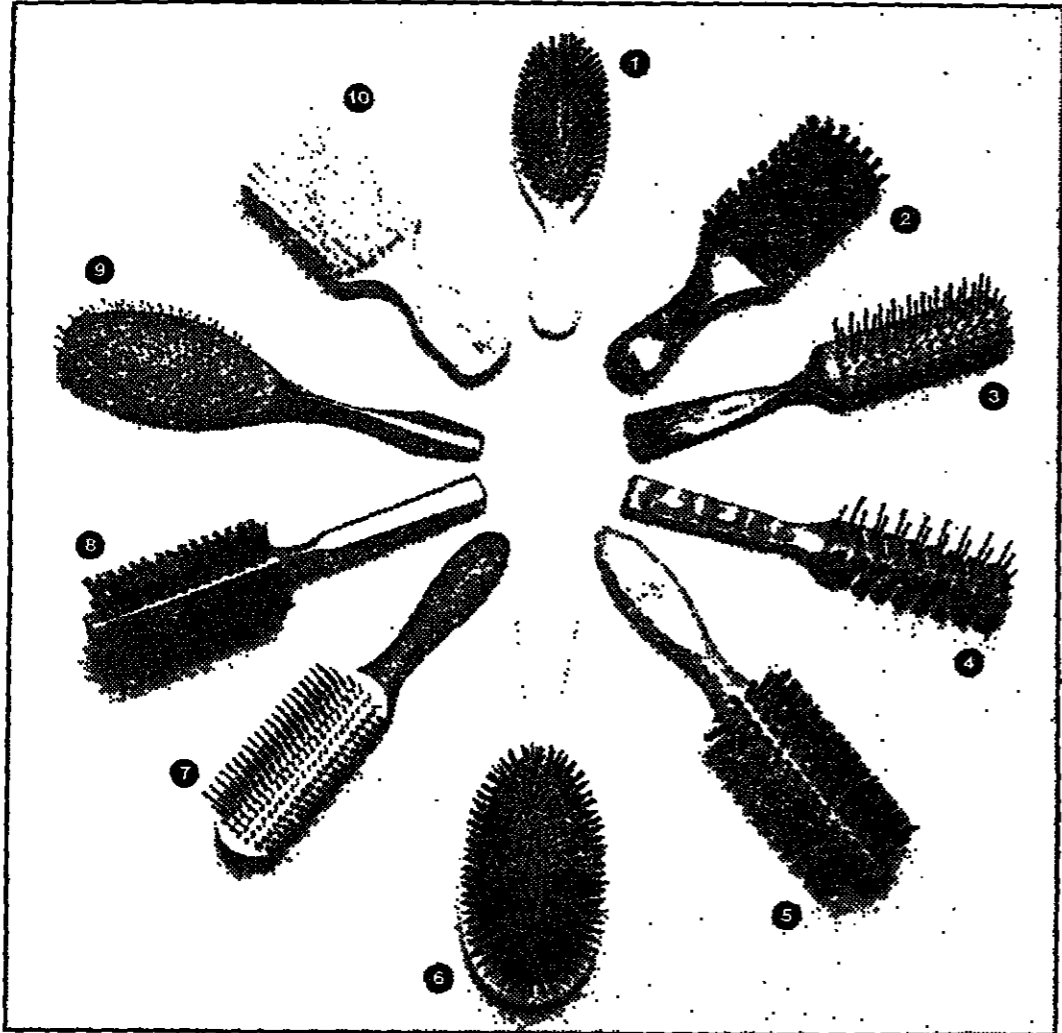
You may regard a handbag brush in the same light as a toothbrush, as something to be discarded as soon as the tufts break or bend. But there is still something magical about running a quality brush through your hair...

Each offer an enormous variety and in theory we ought to be able to copy all those clever tricks of the hairdresser, like coaxing curls into straight tresses and taming unruly locks.

The 19th century when ladies' brushes were available in one long-handled style and usually encased in polished wood or lacquered enamel.



Stylish: 1910 silver/tortoiseshell brush from six-piece Asprey dressing table set, £2,500



Bristling bunch: (1) Mason Pearson child's brush (John Lewis, £7.38); (2) Comby pure bristle club (Harrods, £5.50); (3) Addis Classic Airstream (Boots, £1.99); (4) Pro-tip all-purpose (Harrods and chemists, 65p); (5) Kent half-radial wooden (Selfridges, £11.50); (6) Mason Pearson Extra, plastic-backed (Underwoods, £24.14); (7) Denman Noir styling (Selfridges, £2.17); (8) Pro-tip wooden full-radial (Harrods, Bodyshop International, £2.95); (9) Addis Wet Hair (Boots, £3.20); (10) Kent wooden club (Selfridges, £13).

But he and his sons understood the craft of bone and ivory brushmaking; he travelled to India and China to buy the best bristle, knew how to hand-drill and how to draw brushes - the art of passing waxed thread through each end of the brush to connect the tuft holes.

Although ivory and ebony were popular casings so, too, were gold, silver, wood and tortoiseshell. Because of the import prohibition on tortoiseshell, jewellers such as Asprey now rely on antique dealers and impoverished gentry to sell them old tortoiseshell dressing table sets which are then refurbished and sold from £145 for a single brush.

This is brush luxury and if you feel like indulging yourself on a more acceptable budget, you could buy a well-finished wooden brush from £10 or go for the status of the reassuring Mason Pearson brush, which has adorned dressing tables since 1885.

A large brush with extra boar bristles will cost you £24.14. Although machinery has taken over some of the manufacturing chores, 10 of the processes are still done by hand.

The conventionally-shaped ladies' brush and the stubby military style for men have not changed but, as a cunning ploy to catch young customers, the Mason Pearson range includes a special child's brush for use on hair that has grown past the downy stage but remains fine and tangle-prone (£7.38).

expensive. But do be careful when you buy a very cheap, all-nylon brush: under the heat of a dryer it could melt on to your hair.

look which is in vogue. But if the younger man is willing to experiment with electrical gadgetry, his father and grandfather definitely are not.

They need special shaped and tufted brushes to achieve today's hairstyles", explains Mrs Mady Gottesman, head of Comby. "Not all of them can be achieved with a pure bristle traditional brush. There is also

Adidis have a Wet Brush version (£3.20) with the metal quills coated with polished resin to glide through freshly-washed hair. The Roto Styler (£1.95) does the actual styling with a press button at one end to remove the brush from waved hair. Apparently it is popular with fashion-conscious young men who are also taking over their sisters' mod electric hot brush which dries and styles hair at the same time. The BaByliss Styl'air (from £11) achieves the spiky

Wash all brushes in soapy water rather than detergent and keep away from artificial heat. If you are lucky enough to receive a silver-backed pure bristle brush, wash the tufts only and dry by standing the brush, bristle side down, on a towel. Apply a little polish to dried wooden brushes.

Suzanne Greaves

BRIDGE

When the Queen can be a liability

Bridge game analysis. Includes text: 'At chess, a Queen sacrifice is generally considered as a brilliancy; at bridge, a Queen is frequently more of a dangerous liability than an asset.' Includes a hand diagram with cards: A43, K1072, 865, 1072, 865, 8776, 1072, 865, 8776.

Bridge game analysis. Includes text: 'to nurse my partner, but the patient died nevertheless.' Includes a hand diagram with cards: 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120.

CHESS

Banking on home-grown talent

The recent brilliant successes of British teams and Britain's ranking of third position in the world are eye-catching evidence of the success of the chess congresses throughout Britain by top banks and stockbroking firms.

prize for the most brilliant attacking game from a British grandmaster tournament or the national championship during 1985. Coincidentally, the British Chess Federation has nominated myself and Ray Keene as the judges for this prize, but it is quite separate from The Times Trophy.

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 864)

Crossword puzzle grid with clues. Across: 1 Risk compensation (6,5); 9 Prolonged applause (7); 10 Thin candle (5); 11 Wildest (3); 12 Close (4); 13 On an occasion (4); 14 Go hungry (6); 15 Dispirited (4); 16 Transitional secretary (5); 17 Leave out (4); 18 Fifth of Lorne resort (4); 19 Leap (3); 20 Cow stomach lining (5); 21 Too old (7); 22 Intense concern (4,7). Down: 1 Senior warrant officers (1,1,1); 2 Garmine house (6); 3 Make use of (7); 4 Pair (3); 5 Mind (5); 6 Aid (4); 7 Inadequate (4); 8 Inadequate (4); 9 Northern moor (4).

DRINK

Fruit from a noble family tree

To describe wines made from the Muscat grape as grapey may sound unappealing but its taste is very close to that of the familiar, uncomplicated taste of fresh table grapes.

Muscat de Beunes-de-Venise, that phenomenally successful fortified vin doux naturel from the Rhone, is one of the most popular sweet wines in the country. Although the local cooperative's ridged, screw-top bottle is widely available I find its tall-tale, pale, pink-gold colour and soft, light, peachy-aniseed taste is rather dull.

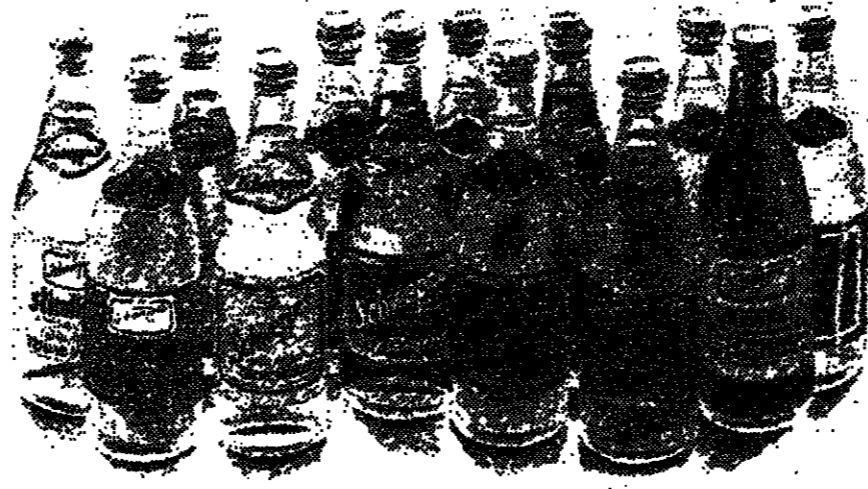
Advertisement for White Horse Whisky. Text: 'On the Hebridean Isle of Islay the climate, the peat, the water, even the indefinable mystique... all contribute to the distinctive flavour of the Lagavulin malt at the heart of White Horse.' Includes logo and 'WHITE HORSE Distinctive Scotch Whisky'.

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Schweppes has long been one of the most potent brand names in the market place, standing alongside the 'Heinz' baked bean or the 'Ford' saloon car. Yet at the beginning of 1982 this name adorned little more than a bare handful of products.

In the saloons of Home Counties pubs or the bars of Manhattan, the gin was probably Gordon's or Booth's, the



In 1982 we had a huge reputation.

Scotch was Bell's or Johnnie Walker, and whatever mixed with them was Schweppes.

And that was about it. Today, however, the Schweppes brand name carries an enormous and constantly expanding range of products. This was achieved by sheer force of management.

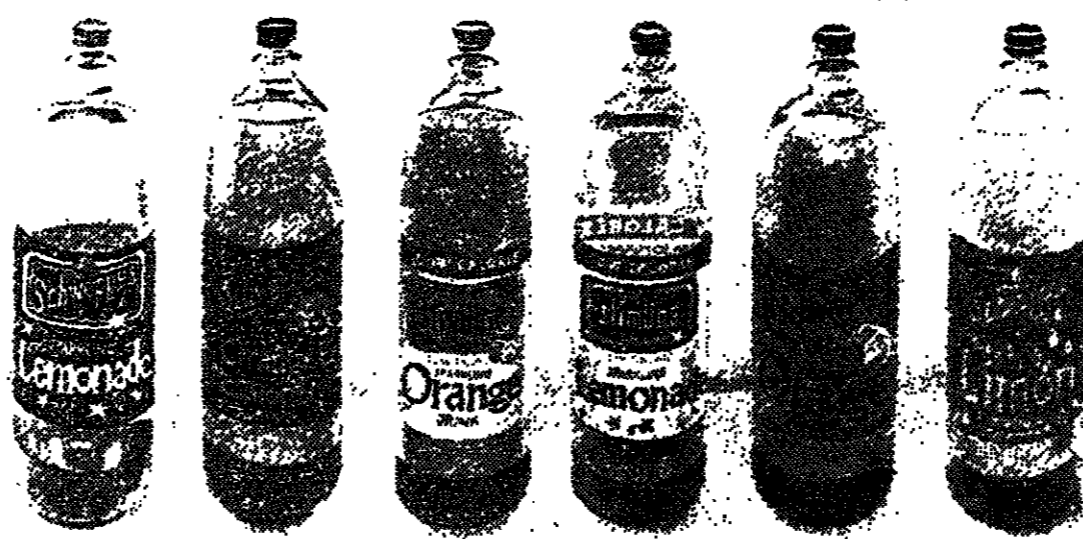
Here's how:

200 years to build a reputation.

After 200 years of existence, Schweppes more or less 'owned' the mixer market, and was likely to continue 'owning' it for the foreseeable future. All very well, but this sector represented only one part of the burgeoning soft drinks market.

It wasn't enough for a company committed to growth. Schweppes had to ask where their growth could come from. New targets would have to be set, but what would they be and how would they be attained?

The major opportunities were obviously to be found in the huge



In 1985 we had a huge brand.

remainder of the soft drinks market, currently valued at £1.5 billion and growing all the time. That makes it worth more than, say, bread or newspapers.

Equally obvious was the fact that this market wasn't going to drop into waiting hands like some over-ripe apple.

How to build a brand.

These were the challenges to be faced:

1. Schweppes' heritage as the mixer company had to be extended without being thrown away or eroded.

2. The soft drinks market is fiercely competitive. "The fizzy drinks jungle," dispirited marketing men have been heard to moan. A large and growing number of highly visible and heavily supported brands were already fighting for sales. Expansion had to be profitable.

3. The market is highly fragmented. The low-tech nature of production means it's an easy market to get into, especially for small, regional and own label products. Schweppes would have to achieve added value in terms of quality and variety, but not by price like many of the recent market entrants.

4. New markets had to be captured: the under 16s who would be new to Schweppes; and the weight and health conscious, who comprise a growing force in the market.

Product.

The first of these points meant

skirting a trap that others have fallen into. It would be fairly easy to extend the range by the addition of those brightly coloured drinks seen in most corner stores which owe more to chemistry than nature.

'Liquid candyfloss' they've been called. Schweppes' status as a brand prevented any involvement with such short-term frivolities.

The next point meant a long hard look at getting the product mix right.

Would consumers accept the Schweppes name on sparkling drinks that were not mixers?

What did the Schweppes brand mean to teenagers, a key segment of the market?

A massive and detailed consumer research programme coupled with worldwide research and development gave us a firm understanding of the market's needs and the products to answer them.

In addition to the 'staples' like Lemonade and Orange, varieties like Limon and Orange and Passion-fruit, which had been developed by Schweppes subsidiaries, were selected for launch in the U.K. market. Alongside these, the expanding 'diet' section of the market enabled profitable extension of the well-established Slimline range.

Packaging.

Next came packaging. The packs were designed to be modern yet still reflecting 'Schweppesian' style. Teenagers (whose capacity

for soft drinks is truly astonishing) have a marked preference for cans. So now most of Schweppes' products are available in cans.

Then there are big bottles. Working on the common sense principle, 'the bigger the bottle the more they'll drink,' Schweppes has dramatically increased volume simply by extending the pack range.

Resource Management.

Another trap skilfully sidestepped, was the temptation to divert resources to support the exciting new products while leaving the established products to look after themselves.

But that is not the way to build brand value throughout the market. That's why these products are strongly 'Schweppes' first and 'product variety' second.

In this way they benefited, from Day One, from the promotional and marketing programmes which have always supported Schweppes in the market place.

And Schhh... you know what.

One thing remained. An area of activity where Schweppes has handled itself with consummate skill for decades - advertising. If your memory is long enough, you'll remember seeing off Hitler and celebrating with "Schweppesence" (if you could get any). Stephen Potter's famous "Schweppesence" advertising of the Fifties, and then what must be one of the best-known campaigns of postwar British advertising. "Schhh... You Know Who."

market (i.e. where the volume sales are). It is the brand leader lemonade in grocery outlets.

4. Colas apart, Schweppes is the brand leader in canned soft drinks in grocery and off-licence outlets, which enables it to capture the emergent brand loyalty of the teenage market.

5. Schweppes has established Limon and Orange and Passion-fruit as major new entrants in the soft drinks market in just twelve months.

6. Schweppes will be keeping the market buoyant and lively with the forthcoming launch of Island Fruit Drink (mangoes, guavas *et al*), and Slimline Limon and Cariba.

What happens next?

All this might suggest that Cadbury Schweppes' new management are busy patting themselves on the back.

Not so.

As Chief Executive Officer Dominic Cadbury puts it, "We are the custodians of one of the few great international brands and we never allow ourselves to forget that."

In 200 years the Schweppes brand came to 'own' the mixer market and now we are well on the way to being a major force in the entire soft drinks market.

That takes thoughtful and determined management."

Cadbury Schweppes
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Guinness takeover 'a threat to 1,000 jobs'

Mr James Gulliver's Argyle Group yesterday stepped up its campaign to have Guinness's rival £2.2 billion takeover bid for Distillers and Mergers Commission.

Bell's bottling and blending plants, Mr Gulliver claimed, would also be at risk at Canning Town Glass, which is owned by Bells.

Japan's trade surplus rises

Japan had a trade surplus of \$56 billion (£40 billion) for last year, it was reported in Tokyo yesterday.

The Japanese announcement, following Thursday's release in Washington of figures showing a December trade deficit of \$17.4 billion, and a deficit in 1985 as a whole of \$148.5 billion, will maintain the pressure in the US Congress for protectionist moves against Japan.

Saudi action key to oil stability

Oil analysts preparing to monitor next week's crucial Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) committee meeting have suggested that only a determined intervention by Saudi Arabia can restore stability to the market.

UK shoe exports down 9%

Britain's footwear makers have been hit by slackening trade including falling exports.

New faces on Bank of England board

Bank of England: Mr Gavin Laird becomes a director for four years and Mr Deryk Vander Weyer and Sir Leslie Young for two years from March 1 in place of Mr Geoffrey Ayrton Drain, Mr George Blunden - who has been appointed deputy governor - and Professor Brian Griffiths.

Vosper to shut Singapore yard

Vosper has decided to disengage from shipbuilding in Singapore as a result of the low level of orders and consequent very poor trading results of its wholly owned subsidiary, Vosper (Pte).

However, the group made substantial losses during the full provision against the cost of the investment in Vosper (Pte), had net assets attributable to shareholders of £4.6 million.

The committee will try in different ways of regaining the cartel's share of the world oil market.

Companies link to cut BES risks

Guardian Royal Exchange, the composite insurer, has joined forces with Anglo-American Trust, the London-based licensed dealer in securities, in a scheme which aims to take the risk out of investing in unquoted companies under the Business Expansion Scheme.



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Andrew Rosay

Blackrock: Mr Andrew Rosay takes the new post of head of marketing. Cullen's Holding: Mrs Ruth Kraus has been appointed a director.

Swan National in drive to pick up small customers

Swan National, one of the top half dozen car rental companies, is joining in a battle to wrest more of the car hire market from small operators.

Donors block loan plan

A quiet attempt by the World Bank to obtain a real increase in resources for the International Development Association - the Bank's arm which lends on very cheap terms - has been defeated at an early stage in negotiations with donors.

Texaco finds oil off China

Another potentially commercial oil discovery has been made in offshore waters of China to add to those already announced by BP, Tricentrol and LASMO.

Companies link to cut BES risks

The latest discovery has been made in the Pearl River Basin area, 170 miles south-east of Canton by an American group led by Texaco.

But the developed-country donors, which met in Paris on Monday and Tuesday of this week, are mainly only prepared to discuss a range of \$10.5 billion to \$12.5 billion. Britain seems willing to maintain its share of 6.7 per cent of the total.

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FAMILY MONEY/2

Beware shares, say building societies

The building societies are fighting back against the Government's highly successful attempts to get the general public interested in buying shares.

has to be kept in the account for at least one month after the bonus has been added to retain it.

To get the children to come into the branches and open a Cashbooster account, Nationwide is giving away a free magazine.

Child benefit

We got things wrong on child benefit in the last full issue of Family Money. Child benefit at the higher 'single parent' rate is not payable to co-habiting mothers.

Cash for kids

The success of the National Westminster's Piggy Bank promotion, aimed at junior savers, has tempted a number of other financial institutions into offering similar, incentive-based schemes for the young.

Seasonal tips

With the house-buying season coming round once again, it is worth your while, particularly if you are a first-time buyer, finding out just what you are letting yourself in for in the way of costs and charges.



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mortgage to choose, how to budget for the hidden and unexpected costs of a move, and household buildings and contents insurance.

Spot check

Rounding up borrowers seems to be the problem for the building societies at this traditionally slack time of the year.

higher earner's income plus once the lower earner's income. However, it sounds grand.

This guarantee would have been worth something a few years ago when mortgage money was short, but with building societies flush with funds mortgages on demand are the norm.

Card for cuts

Big discounts are on offer from the newly-merged Alliance & Leicester Building Society to those who open an Alliance & Leicester account.

Listen and learn

Running your own business can present problems - some of which you may have anticipated.

Bank is offering free counselling, as well as free business banking, to anyone taking part in the Manpower Services Commission's Enterprise Allowance scheme.

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Table with 5 columns: Year ended 31 DECEMBER, M&G SECOND, FT ORDINARY INDEX, RETAIL PRICE INDEX, BUILDING SOCIETY. Rows for 5 June '56, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985.

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Does that sinking sensation feel more like drowning these days when your car insurance renewal notice drops on the doormat?

On the road to cheaper rates

In the past two years car premiums have shot up. From this month the Association of British Insurers' 1300 family saloon garaged in Cheshire has reached £151 a year. In January last year it was £134, so the increase is 12.6 per cent. The previous year the increase was a more modest 8 per cent. And that 12.6 per cent is only the average. Many insurers have pushed rates even higher - between 15 and 18 per cent in the past year. Some have pushed up premiums twice in the past 12 months.

ABLI members, mostly the large composites and not Lloyd's, point to their aggregate loss in 1984 of £222 million - the latest available figure - on car insurance. This was the eighth consecutive year of losses. The increased claims during the past two years are to blame, say these hard-pressed insurance chaps. Claims are reckoned to have risen 7.5 per cent in 1984 and a similar or worse rise is expected for 1985. Why has there been a jump in claims? There are various theories including the slightly far-fetched "worsening condition of the roads". Another is the effect that the compulsory wearing of seatbelts has had on a driver's confidence - he might be braking that fraction later or taking that corner a bit tighter.

Table titled 'Car Insurance Premiums *' with columns for Mini 1000, Cortina 1600, Volvo 360 GLS. Rows for Central London, Cornwall, Surrey, and most expensive.

* Cost per year for fully comprehensive insurance for men of 35, self and spouse only to drive, full no-claims discount from three different insurers ranging from the most expensive to the cheapest. Source: Quoted.

Which is best, Mini or Volvo? In the end the choice is yours. The relatively new Protected No Claims Discount, where for about 10 to 15 per cent extra premium the NCB is kept intact even after a claim, has encouraged the motorist to claim where once he had paid out of his own pocket. But insurers have allowed for this in the extra premium.

One of the most plausible theories is that people drive more and faster. The typical family saloon such as an Escort or an Astra does 35 mpg or more, where four years ago its equivalent was doing around 25 to 28 mpg. The stable price of petrol is another factor adding plausibility to this theory. The net result is that trip to the in-laws on Sunday is more likely to occur, and the family is more likely to take the longer, "scenic route" as well.

So what does the motorist do to try to minimize the impact of big hikes in his car insurance? Apart from buying a lower "group" car next time, the answer is to shop triously than before or to trim on cover - go for an excess of £50 or even £100, limit who can drive the car or consider third party fire and theft cover only for an older car worth less than, say, £1,000.

Comparing quotations is harder because the premium increases have been universal. But it is, nevertheless, well worth doing as the differences between one quote and another are still huge. The wide price range is because most insurance companies are looking for the lowest risk group, inevitably Mr Average. Fortunately, although Mr Average gets the best deal, rates differ because every company has a different idea of who he is.

Sun Alliance (one of the big three in car insurance along with Guardian Royal Exchange and General Accident) sought specifically in 1985 to minimize the impact of rate increases for its version of Mr Average. In its case he is 35-plus, owner of a group 1 to 3 family car, not living in a city centre.

White Sun Alliance made selective increases averaging a high 15 per cent. Mr Average was offered a 5 per cent improvement on his NCB discount as well as a 10 per cent cut if the vehicle was not used for commuting to work.

If you are young, and worse, want to drive a fast car, nobody loves you and if you live in a city avoid the composite insurers. The best bet is to try Lloyd's. Lloyd's syndicates go for the higher-risk higher-premium market. They like the extra cash, so they tend to offer a much more competitive rate than their company rivals (the difference can be £100 and more).

The proverbial drawback to Lloyd's is that the syndicates are notorious for the time they take to settle a claim and there are also "tin pot" syndicates to be avoided, as one broker put it.

The most effective move when insuring a car is to go straight to a broker and ask for several quotes. The Automobile Association brokers for 1.1 million motorists and it surges its considerable back-up and clout when claims are being settled, and its nationwide network.

However, one Times reader used the AA service and drew our attention to the lack of after-sales care. He used the AA for several years until last year when his premium jumped from £240 to £280. He made inquiries and received another quote of £160. When he drew this to the AA's attention, it came up with a similarly priced quote.

The AA says our reader must have "slipped through the net", as it sends out an alternative quote with the renewal notice if it feels the original insurer is looking uncompetitive.

In 1985 about 30 per cent of AA customers opted for a change of insurer at renewal compared with a 15 to 20 per cent changing the year before. The AA is careful not to claim to quote the cheapest insurer, and there are a number of big insurance broker chains such as Andrews & Booth owned by Mills & Allen International, and Anthony Gover, a big broker in south-east England, which both claim to check if the renewal quote is competitive.

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FAMILY MONEY/4

A tasty restaurant buy

BUSINESS EXPANSION

Braganza may sound like a classic *Call My Bluff* question, or an ancient warrior's battle cry. But it is the name of a restaurant which Charlotte Street Restaurants is raising £2.9 million to buy under the Business Expansion Scheme.

The scheme sponsor is Baltic Asset Management, which is, in fact, coming back for a second bite of the cherry.

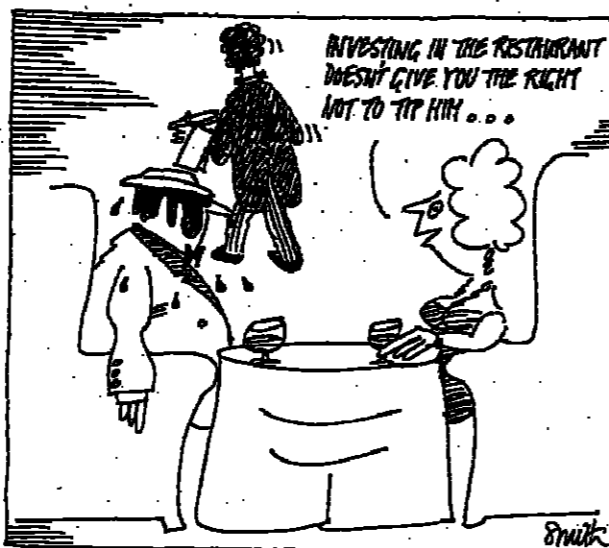
Last year Charlotte Street Restaurants raised the same amount of money to acquire a restaurant called Bertorelli Brothers, which has been refurbished and opened as Cafe Italien des Amis du Vin.

The present offering, Braganza, follows the same pattern as the first. Kennedy Brookes, the publicly quoted restaurant chain, will manage the new restaurant through a subsidiary and will maintain its 28 per cent stake in the company.

Potential investors should derive some reassurance from Kennedy Brookes's large commitment.

The company is paying the same price as outside shareholders - £1.30 a share - although it is taking options and warrants over 3 per cent of the enlarged company.

Baltic is also taking options and warrants - on the same terms as Kennedy Brookes -



except these entitled it to 20 per cent of the enlarged company.

There is nothing untoward in all this, provided that the options and warrants are exercisable at a premium set at a reasonable level above the current price of the shares.

In this particular case there is a staggered system whereby Kennedy and Baltic would pay £1.50 a share if taking up their rights before April 5, 1993, and £2 a share later.

Compared with some recent BES issues, the 15 per cent premium represented by the £1.50 price is favourable to Kennedy and Baltic and a potential dilution for ordinary investors.

This level of growth - over

seven years - is hardly challenging for a company with substantial asset backing in the form of central London property.

There are, nevertheless, many positive aspects to this particular BES issue. There is substantial asset backing, and experienced management, while BES qualification is certain and investors are likely to get speedy tax relief.

As for the name Braganza, this is a throwback to the days when the restaurant was Portuguese and named after Catherine of Braganza, the Portuguese wife of Charles II.

She was accused of trying to poison the king in 1678. Did the sponsor know this? Lawrence Lever

Finance on show in Scotland

If you missed the Money 85 Show in London you can catch a smaller version of it north of the border in May of this year.

The Scottish Money Show takes place in Glasgow from May 15 to 17, run by the same organisers who made such a success of the London event last autumn.

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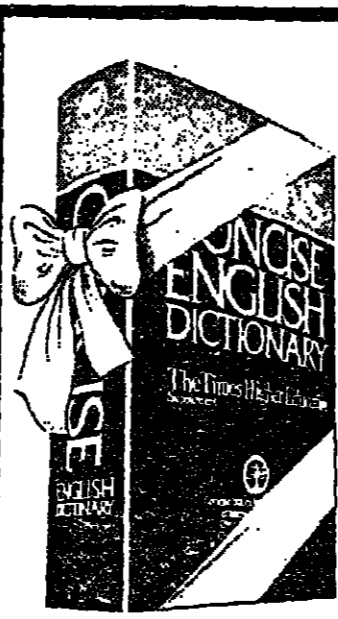
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Germans and Americans are rivals for readers' votes

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The first 500 entries for the 1986 Times Unit Trust Competition arrived in the first ten days of this week.

A quick analysis of where our readers' confidence rests has brought to light some interesting views.

More than twice as many entries received so far are for European funds as for any other single sector, with the German funds attracting a high proportion of those votes. GT German fund has the biggest single vote so far.

The next most favoured are American funds and special situations, including recovery and smaller companies funds.

If you were inclined to speculate, you might deduce from this that people who enter such a competition immediately after discovering it, rather than after mature reflection, fall into two categories.



The first is those who have faith in the future, and believe that last year's boom in the European sector will be repeated.

The second category, those who favoured the American and special situations markets, have together presented almost the same number of

entries, and these are the gamblers, people who have the courage to speculate, hoping for a high return on their risk of a 17p stamp.

Finally, of course, there are the "also-rans", who want us to believe that they really would invest in a technology fund if they had the money.

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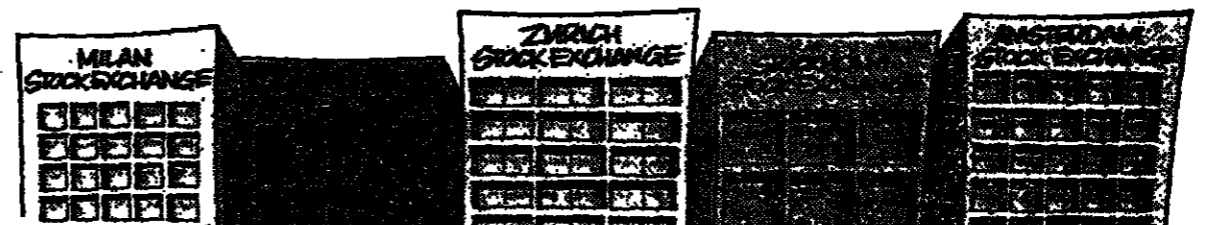
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Jamie Berry of Berry Asset Management has gone for a broad spread. His first choice is Oppenheimer Special Situations, with GT Germany in second place and Perpetual International Growth as his third selection.

"The early part of 1986 is likely to be good for equity markets worldwide and we anticipate good progress being made", he explains. Interest rates in the United States will hold the key to currency and share markets in the medium term and we expect that rates will remain high in historic terms, but will not necessarily rise from these levels.

"Reasonable real rates of return will be available from risk-free deposits and this temptation will, from time to time, act as a drag on share prices."

Berry has gone for Oppenheimer Special Situations as he is expecting a lot of volatility in 1986 and this is a small fund - under £1 million - with great flexibility. It is half invested in the UK and half overseas, principally in Europe. His second choice, GT Germany is another vote of confidence in Europe and his third choice is Perpetual International Growth.

Peter Edwards, of Bristol-based Premier Unit Trust Brokers has gone for two overseas funds too. His first choice is Target American Eagle. "James Fox who did a



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very good job at Warburgs, running the Mercury American fund has gone to Target American Eagle" he explains. He believes that an American fund is good both on the currency and stockmarket outlook for 1986.

His second choice of TR (Touche Remnant) Smaller Companies is again a vote of confidence in the fund manager, John Alexander and he feels that "as the autumn is likely to be a bit tricky - we don't know whether this is going to be election year or not - we might as well give the UK a bit of a whirl."

To give his portfolio a spread he has gone for MIM Japan (Montagu Investment Management), managed by Stephen Barber.

Our third panel member, Peter Hargreaves of Hargreaves Lansdown, has taken something of a chance with his first choice, Holborn

Communications. But he maintains that it is not so risky as it seems. "While many people would consider that this fund is a highly specialist fund, the portfolio profile suggests that Holborn has interpreted "communications" quite widely. We like the idea that this is a new fund and will have a geographical spread of approximately half in Europe and half in the United States and Japan. America is likely to predominate in this half of the portfolio.

His second choice is Abbey American Growth. He likes the fund because "the fund manager has indicated to us that she is quite happy to take liquidity positions, and, if necessary, change the international spread significantly if trading conditions demand it."

He has avoided the UK this year preferring Europe and the United States. His third choice is Target European Special Situations. "Both our second and third choices are well established funds with good recent performances in their respective sectors," he says.

Mark Searle of Richards Longstaff is the fourth (and new) member of our panel of experts and he has put virtually all his eggs in one basket with a clutch of Japanese funds. His first choice is EFM Smaller Japanese Companies, followed by Baring Japan Sunrise. Only his third choice, Perpetual International Emerging Companies is not wholly invested in Japan.

"The emphasis is very much on Japan and the important thing is to take a view on where things will be at the end of the year when this competition is judged," he explains.

"I think that as the year goes by the Japanese domestic economy will be given a little stimulus in order to stem the pressure in export markets against further import penetration. Later this year the US economy will begin to pick up which will help a number of areas of the Japanese economy - principally electronics."

You've heard what the experts have to say - now make your own choices and enter the competition. But remember, last year the experts were far from right so it might well pay to back your own hunches.

	Jamie Berry	Peter Edwards	Peter Hargreaves	Mark Searle
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Reid: season is just beginning

Reid's return good news for Everton

If Everton, the champions, move to the top of the first division today for the first time this season, the timing will have symbolic as well as specific importance...

Another year on grass in Melbourne

By Rex Bellamy

The Australian championships, which have been played in Melbourne since 1972 and are to have a permanent home there, may have to stay on the grass courts of Kooyong a year longer than had been expected...

McGuigan's new challenge awaits ABC switch-on

By Srikanth Sen, Boxing Correspondent

Barry McGuigan's manager, B.J. Eastwood, is waiting for ABC, the American television company, to approve one of two new challengers for the World Boxing Association featherweight champion after his original opponent, Fernando Sosa...

Leaders wary of Clydebank

By Hugh Taylor

All the contenders in the exciting race for the Scottish league championship set out this afternoon on worrying assignments, none probably more perturbed than Heart of Midlothian, the premier division leaders...

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From Richard Evans Philadelphia

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Budd ignores advice to run cross-country race

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Zola Budd is prepared to ignore the advice of British Team officials, and run in this afternoon's Southern Women's cross-country championship at Dene Park in Peterborough...

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EUROPEAN European Figure Skating Championships (the German) 2.4.2. K. Berozova (Soviet Union) 2.4.3. I. Kondratyeva (Soviet Union) 2.4.4. N. Lubchenko (Soviet Union) 2.4.5. Claudia Villiger (Switzerland) 10.4.6. Claudia Villiger (Switzerland) 10.4.7. S. Jackson (Britain) 10.4.8. S. Jackson (Britain) 10.4.9. S. Jackson (Britain) 10.4.10. S. Jackson (Britain) 10.4.11. J. Conway (Britain) 22.5.

Cowdell's chance

Pat Cowdell, the former undefeated European featherweight and super featherweight champion, has been nominated to meet John Doherty for the British super featherweight title. The winner must then defend against Najib Daho of Manchester.

RUGBY UNION: FACING UP TO A FRENCH TEAM ON THE REBOUND AT THE PARC DES PRINCES

Knock-on effect will keep champions Ireland on their toes

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Contribution is an emotion not normally associated with Irish rugby players but they have had time to ponder...

Where, perhaps, Ireland's back row may create some damage among the French half backs...

French get to grips with the ghosts

French rugby is still trying to recover from the state of shock into which it was plunged by the defeat at Murrayfield.



MacNeill: difficult afternoon in prospect

Key to a running game lies with forwards

By Gerald Davies

Surpassing even the most single-minded man's desire for victory must be the hope that although by the nature of things the penalty will play an influential role...

Against the weighty packs of England and France, both teams survived with a good deal of credit in the scrums. The linewaiter was an altogether different matter.

Wales, with no free options open, returned to the fray with an unchanged team. Scotland, with a slight adjustment, have brought in Paxton for only his second game in a full international.

BADMINTON

Milton can make it tough for Baddeley

By a Correspondent

Glen Milton, a 21-year-old from Brentwood, is the man most likely to benefit immediately from the extraordinary sequence of events that has seen the national championships...

This remarkable about-turn means, however, that the champion may have only one day between leaving home from an exhausting journey from Japan to meeting an opponent who took him the full distance at the same venue before Christmas.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Suspended Wane lets in Hughes

By Keith Macklin Although the suspension of the Great Britain under-21 captain Shaun Wane is a disappointment...

The suspension of Wane gives a great opportunity to the Leigh hooker Gary Hughes, who has made rapid strides since being elevated to the Leigh first team...

SNOOKER

Knowles faces another test of character

By Sydney Friskin Tony Knowles, ranked number three in the world, has no illusions about his task when he meets Cliff Thorburn...

BASKETBALL

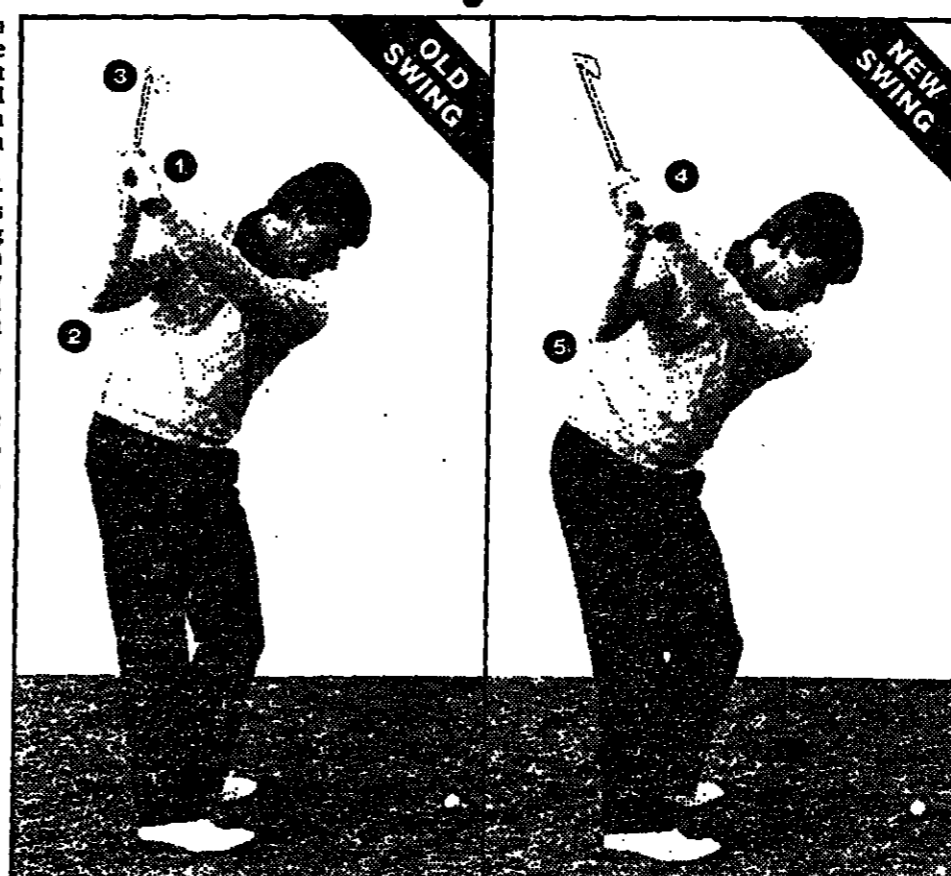
Plight of Portsmouth

By Nicholas Harling The Carlsberg National League title ambitions of Portsmouth have received a setback with the injury that may keep their 25-year-old American guard...

MITCHELL PLATTS TALKS TO NICK FALDO ABOUT HIS DETERMINATION TO GET BACK IN THE SWING

The will to win beyond the wilderness

Nick Faldo's contribution to Europe's victory in the Bell's Scotch Ryder Cup last September took place behind closed doors rather than on the fairways of the Braemar course...



Nick Faldo explains: "The key thing to understand is that my old backswing went inside then (1) my hands would go up, rather than continuing on the same plane, and through doing so I got into the nasty habit of having what is commonly known as (2) a flying right elbow...

The major goal

Faldo, however, returned to see Leadbetter, who has assisted Nick Price and Denis Watson, both winners of the prestigious World Series of Golf tournament...



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